

# Pope Gets Nazi Atrocity Data Against Slovenia Priests

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## Weather

Local—Partly cloudy. Somewhat warmer. Winds becoming moderate southwest.  
Eastern New York State—Considerable cloudiness. Somewhat warmer. Light showers in north and west portions.

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## Unity in Defense Hit By Senate Tax Bill

Blow to Low Incomes Is Opposed by Labor as Hurting Morale

By Eva Lapin  
(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)  
(First of a series of articles)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—The dignified members of the Senate Finance Committee are about to unroll their sleeves and put their coats on again. The long, hard tussle behind the closed doors of the committee with the 1942 tax bill is over.

And there won't be any squawks from the big business boys because they were well taken care of. But there should be squawks from the American people who want a tax bill which will raise all the money necessary to keep the defense program moving.

### TEUETS FAVORED

And there should be kicks that the Senate bill does not penalize those big companies which are making unjust and excess profits out of the effort to preserve our national security.

The Senators feel that on the whole they have done a fine job in preparing the bill for the Senate. They raised more money than the \$3,200,000,000 bill produced by their colleagues in the House by their simple expedient of making the low-income groups pay more and higher income and consumption taxes.

Then they turned around and knocked off some revenue with a few provisions to ease excess profits taxes on wealthy corporations and reward high pressure lobbyists for reads and advertising firms.

Only in one case did they increase the tax burden on big business, and that was by increasing the corporation surtaxes from five to six per cent to raise another \$100,000,000.

### YIELD TO BIG BUSINESS

But even this small step was offset when the committee yielded to Senator Harry Byrd of Virginia and other spokesmen for big business by setting up a committee to recommend cuts in needed social services. Under the guise of slashing non-

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## 'Free Browder,' Needle Trades Official Asks

Business Agent Cites Browder's Activities Against Fascism

Calling attention to the fact that now the United States recognizes that appeasement of Japan means the strengthening of the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo Axis, Nathan Kaplan, Business Agent, Local 9, International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, A.F.L., pointed out in a statement issued this afternoon that the prosecution of Earl Browder based its case against him on passport technicalities connected with his trip to China, where he went in order to mobilize the masses of people in that country against Japanese aggression.

The labor leader called for the immediate release of Browder.

In the statement issued through the office of the Citizens' Committee to Free Earl Browder, the International Ladies' Garment Workers' official declared that "Browder went to Spain and China, on passports on which the prosecution based its case against him, in order to help mobilize the masses of people for an all-out struggle against fascism, and in China to help organize the people's movement against Japanese aggression."

Today, the United States recognizes that appeasement of Japan means the strengthening of the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo Axis against the interests of the United States. For that reason more aid is now being extended to the Chinese people in

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## Aid USSR to Crush Nazi Peril to U.S., Says Farm Parley

Missouri Farmers Back FDR Aid to All Hitler Foes; Support Defense Policy

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SEDALIA, Mo., Aug. 29.—Denouncing the Nazis' "ruthless attack" on the Soviet Union, the 1941 convention of the Missouri Farmers Association unanimously endorsed "the policy of our government in sending aid to nations fighting for their liberties" against Hitlerism.

This declaration, which likewise fully supported the national defense program, was adopted in the three-day session held here and which concluded yesterday.

The convention signified its generally progressive character by the election to the presidency of Fred V. Heinkele. The new incumbent succeeds the late William Hirth, founder and for 25 years the leader

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## Communists Fight Philadelphia Ban

Terror Drive Climaxed by Refusal to Permit Candidates on Ballot

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 29.—The County Board of Elections rejected the nomination petitions of the Communist Party today and an immediate appeal was filed by civil liberties attorneys Saul Waldbaum and Louis F. McCabe. The formal rejection has been forecast by the hearings before Commissioner Witkin.

Only in one case did they increase the tax burden on big business, and that was by increasing the corporation surtaxes from five to six per cent to raise another \$100,000,000.

Philip Dorfman, attorney for the Communist Party, declared today that "10,000 signatures were contained in the nominating papers, 2,000 more than the required number."

Mr. Witkin became frantic during the hearings in his efforts to prevent disclosure of 200,000 fraudulent registrations by the Republican and Democratic machines.

In rejecting the petitions, Commissioner Witkin also said that he had never met "a more brazen group of non-respecting persons" than the witnesses who had refused to furnish him with a black-and-white photograph.

Attorney David Levinson, termed Mr. Witkin's hysterics "the highest praise for the heroic conduct of the witnesses who had refused to be browbeaten or terrorized by the court's Gestapo methods."

In a statement issued by the Communist Party of Eastern Pennsylvania, Philip Frankford and Carl Reeve, declared:

"There can be no effective fight against Hitlerism if Hitlerism is established in our own electoral system."

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## Friends of Free Press Raise \$106,500 for 'Daily'

Friends of a free press and readers of the Daily Worker have already raised \$106,500 in the financial drive of the Press Fund Committee for \$110,000, Israel Amter, treasurer of that committee, announced yesterday.

"New York State," he said, "has done the best job of all so far. It has raised \$80,000 already, and will unquestionably have fulfilled its entire quota by Labor Day."

Out of ten other key states where success has been achieved for the successful carrying out of the whole drive, four have already fulfilled the quota they set themselves, Mr. Amter stated. Six others are pledged to complete their

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## SOME LESSONS of the AUTO WORKERS CONVENTION by ROY HUDSON in Tomorrow's Sunday Worker

## Murray Asks Mayor Help Obtain TWU Wages

'Astounded' At Transit Board's Rejection of Retroactive Pay

Phillip Murray, national CIO president, yesterday called upon Mayor LaGuardia to use his "good offices" to obtain the retroactive wage increases demanded by the Transport Workers Union for the 27,000 men on the city-owned transit system.

Murray said that he was "astounded" by the failure of the Board of Transportation, the city agency operating the municipally-owned transit lines, to adhere to practices accepted by private industry and recommended by the National Defense Mediation Board.

Intervention by the CIO leader came after three days of controversy between the union and the Board of Transportation over new wage schedules drawn up by the latter. The new scales which go into effect Monday, increase the pay of the staff-operating, maintenance, clerical and supervisory—by nearly \$5,000,000.

### ANNULS PAY BOOST

Union objections arise principally from the fact that the new schedules eliminate wage raises for July and August. The old contract between the union and the city expired June 30. It is the union contention that the new schedules should be made retroactive to July 1.

Failure of the Board to make that provision was answered by an aggressive union campaign for the retroactive increases, estimated to total about \$800,000.

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 29.—John P. Davis, secretary of the National Negro Congress, revealed today that his organization would investigate the alleged confession of Edward J. Kelly, 38-year-old Negro, to six recent sex murders in the Capital.

At the same time the Citizens Committee Against Police Brutality in Washington announced a city-wide conference to protest police terror against Negroes on Sunday, Sept. 7.

Recent provocative acts by Washington police, including the killing of five Negroes and the beating and intimidation of many more, has made many groups here suspicious

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## FDR to Speak Labor Day to Entire World

Important Statement on Foreign Policy Hinted in Press Interview

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 (UP).—President Roosevelt hinted today that his Labor Day radio address to the nation and the world may include an important statement on international affairs.

The President pointed out that Labor Day will be the second anniversary of the present world conflict, and added that he plans a speech on that day.

His remark came when a reporter reminded him that the anniversary was approaching, and asked whether he had any comment on the occasion. Not today, replied the President, pointing out that he will speak Monday.

That speech may present for the first time some inkling of Mr. Roosevelt's reaction to the conversations initiated yesterday by the Japanese Ambassador, Kichisaburo Nomura, with the President and Secretary of State Cordell Hull, at the personal instance of Japanese Prime Minister Prince Konoye.

Mr. Roosevelt admitted that further conversations undoubtedly will be held among himself, Hull and Nomura, but said no date has been

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# BUDENNY HURLS BACK NAZIS AT DNEIPEP RIVER

## Harriman to Head Mission to Moscow

Roosevelt to Make Appointment Formal Next Week

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 (UP).—President Roosevelt announced today that he will name W. Averell Harriman to head the American mission to Moscow for conferences with Great Britain and the Soviet Union on war aid plans.

The President said that it might be assumed safely that Harriman will go as head of the mission, and that his formal appointment would be made next week.

He said he was uncertain as to the number of persons who would comprise the mission, but did say that he supposed it would consist of about a half dozen men.

### DATE NOT SET

He gave no indication, however, as to how soon the mission would leave for the Soviet Union. But he made clear that his appointment yesterday of John D. Biggers as Minister to London and aide there to Harriman was a step preliminary to departure of the mission.

Harriman since last Spring has been acting as lend-lease expediter in London, and Biggers now becomes his assistant, specializing in integration of U. S. military arms production.

In preparation for formal appointment of Harriman to head the mission to the Soviet Union, Mr. Roosevelt had a luncheon conference with Harriman and Harry L. Hopkins, who today assumed the new title of special assistant to the President supervising the lend-lease program.

Hopkins only recently returned from Moscow, where he conferred with Josef Stalin and the Soviet High Command.

Harriman came from London to participate in the historic sea conferences between President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Winston Churchill and ranking officers of the American and British armed forces. He continued on to Washington to discuss lend-lease problems with officials here.

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## Can't Use Radios, Nazis Tell French

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## Axis Camps Growl at Each Other Over Spoils -- Lozovsky

By Janet Weaver

(By Wireless to Inter-Continental News)

MOSCOW, Aug. 29. — "At last Italy has scored her first and most important victory since she entered the war," S. A. Lozovsky told his press conference here yesterday.

Italian troops have occupied the Port of Dubrovnik and the entire Dalmatian coast-line, which Mussolini so big-heartily left to his agent Ante Pavelich when Yugoslavia and Dalmatia were divided.

"What happened to the 'independent' Croatian state, in the course of only a few months, provides an excellent demonstration of relations between the 'Allies' and casts a brilliant light on that 'New Order' which Hitler and Mussolini have promised to bestow upon Europe and subsequently upon the whole world," Lozovsky said.

"Following the rape of Yugoslavia, Hitler and Mussolini like

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W. AVERELL HARRIMAN

## U.S. Mission on Air Aid Tour

War Dept. Announces Tour to Promote Anti-Axis Help

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 (UP).—The War Department announced today that a mission headed by Major General George H. Brett, Army Air Corps Chief, will tour the African, Near Eastern Mediterranean and Atlantic war fronts "to promote the development and procurement" of all types of aircraft and aviation equipment now being supplied to Axis foes.

The mission will travel secretly by air in two parties.

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## Konoye Opens Parleys With U. S. Government

TOKIO, Aug. 29 (UP).—The official Domei news agency said today that Premier Prince Fumimaro Konoye had opened negotiations with the United States because adjustments of delicate American-Japanese relations is necessary to "usher in a permanent peace in the Pacific."

Domei said that Konoye's message to President Roosevelt had resulted directly from the outbreak of hostilities between Germany and the Soviet Union which had "complicated" the international situation and required an adjustment of American-Japanese relations.

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## R.A.F. Stages Big Daylight Raid on Reich

Nazi Command Claims 31 Planes Down in Dutch Bombings

LONDON, Aug. 29 (UP).—A huge British air armada took advantage of a cloudy dawn today and struck deep into occupied territory, pounding military objectives on the continent by daylight and harassing shipping off the coast.

Ten British and ten German planes were destroyed during the daylight sweep, apparently one of the largest in recent weeks by the Royal Air Force.

Wave after wave of bombers and fighting planes roared out of the clouds over Flessingue, Namagata, Southend and other points awakened residents of coastal areas.

The day offensive followed a night in which British bombers blasted Duisburg, Germany, for the 49th time, causing heavy casualties and great fire. Docks at Ostend, Belgium, also were attacked during the night by a smaller force than that which made a "heavy and successful" attack on industrial objectives in Duisburg, an Air Ministry communique said.

Nine planes were reported missing from the night's operations, which included "other targets in western Germany and occupied territories."

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## Small Nazi Raid on England

LONDON, Aug. 29 (UP).—The Air and Home Security Ministries reported today that German planes

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## Vatican Sees New Unrest in France

VATICAN CITY, Aug. 29 (UP).—An editorial in the Vatican newspaper Osservatore Romano predicting increasing unrest in France was believed today to reflect the views of Signor Valerio Valeri, Apostolic Nuncio to France, because it appeared just after he had had an audience with the Pope.

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Of the 40 tanks only 23 succeeded in reaching the Soviet advance defense lines. It was said, and the others were destroyed by anti-tank guns and land mines.

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S. A. LOZOVSKY

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## Red Army Repulses Wave of German Attacks With Huge Losses

500 PLANES DOWNED

Central Drive Now in 13th Day; Civilians Join in Fighting

MOSCOW, Saturday, Aug. 30 (UP).—Marshal Semyon Budenny's Ukrainian forces, battling in defense of the great Don industrial region, were reported officially today to have hurled back successive waves of German assaults near the town of "K" inflicting "enormous losses" on the enemy.

An attempt by three German divisions, about 45,000 men, to reach the eastern bank of an important river (perhaps the Dnieper) was said to have been shattered by Soviet artillery and a bayonet charge of Soviet troops which stormed across the stream in a counter-attack.

The Germans, fleeing in disorder, were said to have sought shelter in the flames, which were set ablaze by Soviet guns and the enemy, seeking escape from the flames, discarded arms and equipment," the Soviet High Command said.

Budenny's armies struggling to stem the Nazi sweep toward the Eastern Ukraine threw up a new defense line behind raging flood waters they had looted in the lower Dnieper River as heavy fighting raged along the entire 1,500-mile front, according to a High Command communique early today.

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### 600 PLANES DOWNED

Claiming a two-to-one superiority in the air over the German Luftwaffe, the High Command reported that more than 600 German planes were shot down or destroyed on the ground during the week ending Wednesday against the loss of 282 Soviet planes during the same period.

In the fierce battle around the otherwise unidentified town of "K" on the Ukrainian front the Germans were said to have left 900 dead and wounded on the battlefield, many of whom were annihilated by Soviet mine-throwing mortars.

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Browder Fought for Labor Unity---Unite to Free Browder



# Special Reports from Soviet War Fronts and Behind Nazi Lines

## Nazi Air Power Sags; Raw Pilots Being Used

Soviet Aviation General Reveals Growing Crisis in Planes, Personnel and Production as Losses Mount

By Major General of Aviation Stroyev  
(By Wireless to Inter-Continent News)

MOSCOW, Aug. 29.—Prior to the war against the USSR, the Luftwaffe had already suffered very heavy losses. Altogether 7,195 Axis planes were destroyed in the war, and of these, no less than 5,500 were German planes.

Germany began the war in 1939 with approximately 7,000 first-line machines. Hence, one is led to the conclusion that by the end of July, 1941, the Luftwaffe lost approximately half its best cadres,

while the other half was subjected to heavy strain. Regular experienced flyers are being replaced by men who have undergone but a short wartime training.

Even at the beginning of 1941, World War veterans and inexperienced youngsters were drawn into the German air force. The ever-increasing number of breakdowns of Luftwaffe machines and the cowardly tactics of fascist airmen in encounters with Soviet planes, is not accidental. During the last two months, the Luftwaffe lost, on all fronts, more flyers than during all of 1940. On the Eastern front, Hitler Germany lost 7,200 planes, in two months of war against the USSR.

### CRISIS IN PLANE RESERVES

Nor is all well with regard to the equipment of the fascist fighter-planes. A characteristic feature of German aircraft is the stability of obsolete models. The so-called re-arming of aviation is effected primarily by modernizing existing types. But modernization has its limits. Germany's basic fighter-plane, the one-seater Messerschmidt 109, first employed in action in Spain in 1937, underwent two modifications in the first two years of its existence. No innovations have been introduced since 1939, and a recent attempt to improve the design of Messerschmidt 109, resulted only in producing a machine unit for action.

The Germans have in "reserve" a single-seater Heinkel-113, a fighter with a horizontal flying speed of 400 kilometers per hour, but its flying speed is up to 180 kilometers per hour, which actually makes it impossible to use it on a large scale. In addition, this machine is very vulnerable and can be disabled by seven or eight bullets in its wings, since a part of its wing surface is used for a radiator.

There is no prospect of any radical alteration of German fighter-planes within the next few months. Germany's best fighter model, Messerschmidt-109, even if it does undergo improvements, will still have less speed and lower maneuverability than the new fighter-type employed by Soviet and British air arms.

### PROFITS FROM PLANES

Goering and his clique are not only the unchallenged leaders of the Luftwaffe, acting quite independently of the German General Staff, in placing orders for new types, but are also the owners of aircraft and equipment plants.

It is also known that the Fuehrer is out for quantity, above all. All this has led to the organization of mass production of fighters and bombers which are already growing obsolete.

Production costs were, of course, very low, but dividends mounted. The arrest and "suicide" of General Ernst Udet, ex-inspector of German fighter aviation, may serve as one more illustration of the above-mentioned facts. Udet was very popular in the Air Force, and Goering in thrusting all blame for the reverses of German fighter-planes on him, was only shirking his responsibility.

Undoubtedly, German fighter aviation is in a very difficult position as regards personnel, equipment and leadership.

In this situation the tactics of Soviet fighter aviation are perfectly clear: compel the fascists to accept battle, and under all conditions crush the enemy resolutely and mercilessly.

## Record Crop in U. S. S. R. Now Being Harvested

(By Wireless to Inter-Continent News)

MOSCOW, Aug. 29.—Harvesting of record crop which is now in full swing throughout the USSR—Crimea, Kuban, Soviet Ukraine, the Volga region and the East—proceeds in wartime tempo. The collective farmers started garnering bumper cotton, sugar-beet and other technical crops.

At the same time the August plowing is well under way.

The areas under the winter crop are being extended. With the war on, the collective farms are paying particular attention to strengthening their economy.

The collective farmers are well aware that with greater and higher incomes the collective farm is able to give more products for the Red Army and the country. Therefore, without slackening

their work on harvesting, planting, etc., the collective farmers exert every effort to further improve and extend livestock breeding.

All along the highways endless transports carry grain, meat, wool and other produce to State storages to provide everything necessary for the Red Army which is valiantly fighting for every inch of Soviet soil.

## Iranian People Greet Red Army as Friend

Population Tells Troops of Support for Joint British-Soviet Action as Strengthening Independence of Country

(By Wireless to Inter-Continent News)

WITH THE RED ARMY IN IRAN, Aug. 29.—The very first meeting of the Soviet troops with the Iranian population affords convincing proof that the Iranian people correctly understand and estimate the joint action of the Soviet Union and Great Britain is aimed to strengthen the independence of Iran.

"The Germans created uneasiness in the country," said the grey-whiskered peasant, Novruz Raza from the village of Gorgan. "We are pleased with the coming of the Red Army." The peasant paused and after scrutinizing the smiling faces of the Red Army men added: "We knew that we had friends on the other side of the Aras. Now you brought us peace. May the sun illuminate your every step on our soil."

The people calmly continue working in the fields, watching with friendly smiles the moving columns of Red Army men. Peasant Novatulla Hussein Ogly told us: "Our Ancient Sages taught us a word is sacred but a letter of agreement is treble sacred. You came to us in accordance with the agreement and we welcome you."

### GREET SOVIET TROOPS

The Iranian people know that the Soviet troops come temporarily and will be withdrawn as soon as the danger resulting from German activity which is a menace to both the Soviet State and Iran is eliminated.

In the village of Kianboro the children play merrily in the narrow streets. At the sight of the Soviet infantrymen they run to meet them and march alongside. The adult villagers come to greet the Red Army men and then satisfied, retreat into the background to cede this honor to their fellow villagers. Near the town of Apelichal a large group of peasants headed for fields, reversed their course and for a long time followed the Red Army men, scrutinizing with approval their uniform and biggest city in Iran. Kinenko's tank unit was the first to enter. The townsmen indignantly related how the Hitlerites be-

forms and arms.

The outlines of Tabriz loomed in the distance. This is the so-called as masters in the country and their treatment of the local population was arrogant and rude. The Germans behaved in Iran like in a conquered State. They roamed about spreading provocative rumors and conducting their shady deals.

Senior Lieutenant of the Iranian Army, Martus Kpuli Bagir of Tabriz related bitterly: "Before my very eyes two fascists openly photographed your frontier from all angles. I tried to interfere but was only repelled by the command."

Soviet planes dropped hundreds of thousands of leaflets in the Iranian language over Mahabad, Maraga, Zanjan, Pumen, Reht and other of the country's towns and villages exposing the subversive activities of the Hitlerite bandits in Iran explaining to the population the reasons why the Red Army crossed the Iranian frontier.

The Red Army is rapidly advancing farther. Operations are proceeding according to plan.



Captured from Nazis: Red Army men are shown above examining trophies of war seized in battle area E after German units had been forced to withdraw. Fierce and persistent Soviet counterattacks have harassed the Nazis incessantly during the course of the two-month war.

## The Price the Nazis Paid for Taking Gomel

By Major General Berezovsky

(By Wireless to Inter-Continent News)

MOSCOW, Aug. 29.—Back in July, the 43rd German Corps made an attempt to break through to Gomel. A strong counter-blow of Soviet units not only checked the fascist advance then but dislodged them from the important rail junctions of Zhlobin and Rogachev, inflicting heavy losses on the Germans.

Batalov's unit alone destroyed more than 4,000 German officers and soldiers near Zhlobin and in street fighting.

It was a month before the Fascist Command could recover from this blow and concentrate fresh forces in the Gomel direction. Not before Aug. 11 did the German Command succeed in concentrating a strong force, its nucleus consisting of the 17th and the 121st Infantry Divisions, units of the 21st Infantry Division and remnants of the First Cavalry Division.

### LULL NAZI OFFENSIVE

It was a month before the Fascist Command concentrated no less than 200 planes there. For several days Fascist aircraft prepared the offensive, and on August 14 the Germans threw all their forces into the attack.

Stubborn fighting continued unabated six days and nights. It was particularly fierce in the district of the villages Semionovka and Pokryubich.

Soviet units, reinforced by the German Peoples Guard, heroically defended every inch of Soviet soil. More than 4,000 fascist soldiers and officers found their grave in the swamps and forests around Semionovka alone.

Infuriated at the stubborn resistance of the Red Army, the fascists put the local inhabitants, women, the aged and children, in front of their troops on the Dobrush sector. Quickly regrouping its forces and striking at the German flanks, the Soviet Command frustrated the monstrous plans of the Fascist cannibals.

Desperate fighting raged at the suburbs of Gomel, two desperate attempts of the Germans to capture a railway bridge and an ordinary bridge were repelled. Fascist aircraft dropped about 600 large caliber bombs on the bridges, but everyone missed their target. The bridges were blown up by Soviet sappers when the fascists attempted to use them.

With numerical superiority, the German Command calculated on an easy victory at Gomel. These

plans were upset by the Red Army-men and Commanders, jointly with the Gomel Peoples Guard. Proof of this was revealed in a letter from Nazi Corporal Stahr to his wife in Munich, found on him when taken prisoner.

"We are finally in Gomel," he wrote. "Ten days ago we were 138 men in our company. Now we are only 18. Today we spent the whole day walking through Gomel, hoping to find something for a gift to you and to relieve our own hunger. In vain! Nothing to be found in the city—even the orchards remained without apples."

Orchards without apples, stores without goods, factories without machines and raw materials, granaries without a single kernel, homes without people, that's what the fascists found in Gomel. More than 80,000 killed and wounded, about 300 tanks, several hundred guns, 100 trucks about 100 aircraft—that's the price the Fascist Command paid for Gomel.

### NAZIS SCATTER IN RETREAT

From correspondents of the Red Star, come further reports of successful Soviet action in the area.

"Commander Konyov's Units continue to advance," says one report. "More populated points which the enemy had carefully prepared for defense have been recaptured. The Germans used every house for resistance. The Soviet Units came across all kinds of obstacles, such as, mine fields, obstructions in forests and on roads. The fascists cling to every fold in the terrain and fringes of the forest. Everywhere the enemy is met with every-where. The dense network of machine gun and mine-throwing fire is reinforced with artillery fire. But the enemy defense was pierced and the fighting conducted in depth. The Germans, hurriedly organized their second line of defense, striving to halt the Soviet advance. "Unable to withstand the Red

## On the War Fronts

BY A VETERAN COMMANDER

(AS OF AUG. 28th)

The blowing up of the great dam near Zaporozhe on the Dnieper seems to show that the battle for this bridgehead is over and that the troops of Marshal Budenny have safely crossed the river and established themselves on the eastern bank.

The blowing up of Dnieperstroy is both a moral and material loss and a moral and material gain. The loss is self-evident and does not require commentaries. The moral gain consists in the vivid proof of the determination of the Soviet people to risk everything for victory. The world is bound to gasp and admire this epic explosion. The military material gain is the following: the bridge and the dam as a means of crossing the Dnieper cannot be used by the Germans. The lower reaches of the river are transformed into a mighty torrent which must have covered both banks with millions of tons of slime and made them impassable for troops. Above the dam the level of the river has fallen and the famous rapids have reappeared. These rapids are no healthy place for an army to cross. The Germans admit that Marshal Budenny's troops are far from "fleeing" because they boast of "repelling a Russian attack across the river to the western bank." This is very characteristic and throws some light on an obscure situation. It appears from this that the line of the eastern bank has not only been manned, but is showing signs of aggressiveness. In the center Gen. Konev's offensive seems to be progressing on the QT.

On the Leningrad front the Germans are undoubtedly creeping forward, but their progress seems to be becoming slower and slower. So far neither the Leningrad-Moscow nor the Murmansk railroad have been severed. As a matter of fact the former is in greater danger than the second.

On the sea flanks Odessa and Hango are holding out. So are the Estonian islands of Oesel and Dago where the Germans have made an unsuccessful attempt at landing parachute troops. The Soviet Air Force has bombed Koenigsberg in retaliation for a raid on Leningrad.

Hostilities in Iran seem to have come to an end. The Iranian population welcomed the Red Army.

On all the other air-fronts the Royal Air Force seems to have the run of things, although rather heavy casualties were sustained by it during a raid on Rotterdam. It would seem that the Germans have concentrated most of their AA-defenses in the north and east, leaving Western Germany only lightly protected. This is quite natural because in the north and east they have to face combined attacks of "the two RAF's," while in the west they only face the British.

The continuous and heavy operations of the British Royal Air Force over a two-month period with little tangible results only prove that WAR IS NOT WON IN THE AIR. A strong and determined foe cannot be knocked out from the sky. Britain, the Soviet Union and Germany have proved that. Some "air-minded experts" might put this in their pipe and smoke it.

## An Answer to Frau Brummer: 'We Won't Forget'

Nazi Corporal's Wife Gets a Taste of War; the 'Jolly War' Has Backfired

By Ilya Ehrenburg

(By Wireless to Inter-Continent News)

MOSCOW, Aug. 29.—"You know, Franz, I will never forget the day when I heard the first shot," writes Frau Brummer from Marlenburg, East Prussia, to her husband, Corporal Franz Brummer. "We slept so well and suddenly I was awakened by heavy explosions and realized that there was shooting. We all had to hide in the cellar. But I think we were in even greater danger there."

"Then there were more alerts on Tuesday, daytime and evening. In all we ran for shelter four times. And in Ebing it was even worse. They had eight raids. You see, now we have had some taste of war..."

And so Herr Brummer and his like thought they would fight gently without frightening their wives!

We, too, remember one June morning. Our country lived a peaceful life. And then the Germans attacked our country. We, too, will never forget.

Our country replied with bay-

nets. Every Russian heart is filled with hatred. We will not forget how the Hitlerites are destroying our cities, murdering our children. We will remember all.

One thing we know: They will no longer sleep peacefully, these fine S. S. ladies. In Berlin they made acquaintance with the language of Russian bombs. They already had, as the corporal's wife said: "some taste of war." They will still get their fill of it and not ration cards. They will get enough to satiate them.

Then they will curse the day when Hitler sent them to fight our country. They marched on us with merry song. They marched past S. S. ladies, senior lieutenants' wives and the fiancées of the non-commissioned hangmen. Today, Helen Enselg, from Kraizeng, East Prussia, writes to Non-com. Fritz Walter, "I was at the railway station. This was an infinitely long train. I could hardly bear to look at the uniforms. It's horrible. Among them many are still so young—they are mostly wounded in the arms and head. I can no longer look at the newspapers, they are always full of notices about the killed on the Russian Front."

They no longer sing. They now see what this "jolly war" is like. This war will still come to them. They started it, and we will finish it.

### Reveal Belgian War Casualties

BRUSSELS, Aug. 29 (UP).—More civilians than soldiers were killed in the eight-day campaign in Belgium last year, according to official figures released today.

Casualties in the Belgian Army were: 8,500 killed; 18,583 wounded; 200,000 prisoners, of which 120,000 have been released.

Civilian casualties were estimated at 10,000 while no figure was released on wounded civilians. It was estimated that 1,500,000 civilians fled the war zone and that virtually all have returned.

## New Zealand Society Pledges All Aid to USSR

(By Wireless to Inter-Continent News)

WELLINGTON, New Zealand, Aug. 29.—The newly-formed Society for Closer Relations With Russia announced recently that it would seek to promote closer cultural, economic and diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union. In the same declaration the Society said that it would strive to assure all possible aid to the Soviet Union against the common enemy, Hitler.

The declaration was made at the first meeting of the Society which was chaired by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, who is also president of the New Zealand Institute of International Affairs.

The membership of the Society consists of professionals, business men, intellectuals and government representatives.

## 1,500 Nazis Killed in Pitched Battle

## Soviet Partisans Destroy German Tanks in Street War

(By Wireless to Inter-Continent News)

MOSCOW, Aug. 29.—Following is the evening communiqué of the Soviet Information Bureau for Aug. 28th:

In the course of Aug. 28 our troops stubbornly fought the enemy along the whole front. After fierce fighting our troops evacuated Dniepropetrovsk.

Our airforce effected a successful raid upon Koenigsberg. According to precise data now available in the course of Aug. 28, thirty-seven German planes were destroyed and not seventeen as previously reported.

In the course of Aug. 27, forty-one German planes were brought down in air combats. We lost twenty-three planes.

In the Baltic Sea our aviation sank two German transports.

After prolonged fierce fighting our troops evacuated the Ukrainian town of N. The occupation of this town cost the enemy tremendous losses.

The enemy twice attempted to carry by storm the first line of the city's defenses but each time was repulsed sustaining great losses.

The anti-tank gun batteries of Lieutenants Abakumov and Tro-

nin and Senior Lieutenant Kommin destroyed 18 enemy tanks. Over 1,500 German soldiers were

annihilated by artillery and machine gun fire.

Into the third attack the fa-

cists hurled a Regiment of the 88 Division. In a pitched battle Captain Bryushkov's unit anni-



Roaring Into Position: These Soviet tanks speed in single file and make a sharp turn to maneuver into battle formation somewhere on the Eastern Front.

hilled up to 500 officers and men of this Regiment.

On the third day of the fighting our troops occupied new positions within the city boundaries. With singular gallantry the Red Army men and members of the Popular Volunteer Force defended every street, every house of the town.

At first the fascist tanks broke into Nikolaevskaya Street where the leading tank struck a mine and blew up. The two following tanks tried to drive around the destroyed tank but were showered with hand-grenades, fuel-bottles and burned down. Several of the enemy tanks broke into the center of the town along Frunze St. and fell under the fire of Captain Razumov's anti-tank guns. Four smashed tanks blocked the street. The other tanks which jammed in the street were destroyed with hand-grenades. Fierce fighting broke out in Pushkin Street.

The men of Senior Lieutenant Trubokurov's unit let six enemy tanks pass but when the German infantry showed up it was met with machine gun fire. Over 100 German officers and men remained lying on the pavement.



## Relief Crisis Still Major City Issue, Says Alliance

Cite 500,000 Welfare Clients in Defense Job Campaign

More than half a million people in New York City are still dependent on relief to keep themselves alive, in spite of employment stimulated by the National Defense Program, the Workers Alliance disclosed yesterday.

While major stress is now being placed by the organization on the struggle for jobs in private industry, Alliance leaders stated, "Relief is still a matter of great public importance, and we are continuing the fight for better relief standards." This fight, they said, will contribute much to the health and morale of the people, which is so essential for a successful fight against Hitlerism.

Reduction in relief rolls due to the Defense program, since May, 1941, has actually amounted to less than seven per cent, according to Alliance figures. There are still approximately 136,000 relief cases, or about 500,000 individuals on relief, out of the case-load of 146,000 on May 1, 1941.

Among new relief cases are thousands of fired WPA workers, who lost their jobs in the July 1 cut, when more than 15,000 New Yorkers were fired from WPA, and who have been unable to find private employment.

Meanwhile, relief standards have not risen to meet the rising cost of living, the Alliance charged. An average family of four on relief living in a cold-water flat, still receives a total monthly allowance of about \$55, plus about \$11 more, if Food Stamps are bought. The Food Stamps, and an increase in the allowance for household supplies of 38 cents to 50 cents per person each month, have been more than compensated by rising prices, Alliance leaders claimed.

Abolition of allowances for special diets, since the initiation of the Food Stamp Plan, has worked hardship for many who are unable to buy special foods prescribed in their diets with the Food Stamps.

**LOW RENT GRANTS**  
In spite of constantly rising rents, the rent allowances of the unemployed, always far below the standards necessary for decent housing, have not been revised for years. To make matters worse, the relief administration last month discontinued the practice of paying "excess rents" for families on relief unable to find housing within the impossibly low relief budgets.

Many relief clients are thus forced, Alliance leaders pointed out, if they are to save themselves from eviction, to divert their food money in order to pay the landlord, thus often depriving themselves of the advantages of the Food Stamps. If they refuse to do this, they are forced to move to the least "expensive," worst possible slums available.

Improvement in relief standards must be coupled with more liberal procedure to govern the issuance of waiting, for beyond the length statement yesterday: "Applicants are often forced to suffer weeks of waiting, for beyond the length of time required for an investigation of current need, relief procedure should at all times be utilized to prevent those not eligible from receiving aid, but they must not be used—as they so often are today—to delay and hinder needy persons from receiving the relief they need."



**Transports Fly to Hawaii.** Three huge DO-3 transports are shown before taking off from Oakland Airport, Calif., for a 2,400-mile delivery flight to the Hawaiian Airlines of Honolulu. The planes are named after Hawaiian peaks: Haleakala, Mauna Loa and Waiialeale. Commercial land planes in formation have not before made the hop to Hawaii.

## 'Confession' to Be Probed by Negro Group

Negro Congress Pushes Fight on Capital Police Brutality

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of the alleged Kelly confession which was produced by the police after an all-day grilling. Corruption and incompetence in the Washington police force has become so rampant that former Chief Major Ernest Brown was forced to resign and other officials have also been shifted out of their posts.

### WIDE TERROR

In an apparent effort to cover up its unpalatable record including several unsolved murders, the police force has unleashed within recent weeks a reign of terror against the Negro population.

"The police terror has been aided and abetted by reactionary Congressmen such as Rep. John Rankin of Mississippi who made a speech on the House floor on Aug. 14 which was a virtual incitement to violence against the Negro people."

It will be recalled that Rankin a few months ago made a vicious anti-Semitic speech on the House floor which was answered in an impassioned address by Rep. J. Michael Edelstein of New York—who died a few minutes later of heart attack.

The Citizens Committee Against Police Brutality declared in its call to the Sept. 7 conference: "Brutality against Negro citizens in the nation's Capital is a threat to every Negro, every trade union member, every national religious and political minority group throughout the United States."

"Police Congressmen, fearing the march of democracy, encourage and support this terror. They undermine the very foundations of democracy."

Sponsors of the conference include U. Simpson Tate of the National Association of Colored People; George Goodman, president of the Urban League; Rev. M. Cecil Mills of the First Baptist Church; Rev. Thomas Freeman, the National Negro Congress; the Washington Committee for Democratic Action; the CIO Industrial Union Council; United Shoe Workers Local 136 and Cafeteria Workers Local 471.

## Negro Tenants Challenge Jim Crow Landlord

Columbus Hill Residents Demand Firm Reveal List of Vacant Apartments

A delegation of Negro and white occupants of city-condemned houses in the Columbus Hill area, 60th to 64th Streets, between Amsterdam Ave. and the Hudson River, yesterday afternoon personally challenged the real estate firm of Haggstrom, Gallen and Davis, 1974 Broadway, on its policy of excluding Negroes from its apartment houses in the vicinity of their present homes.

Mrs. Adele Taub, executive secretary of the Chelsea-Clinton Tenants League and a leader of the delegation, asked to see one of the heads of the firm but was refused. A young woman who said she spoke for Haggstrom declared that her employer was "tied up" and could not meet the delegation.

### "IF THEY CAN PAY"

When Mrs. Taub told the purpose of the delegation, the young woman said Haggstrom, Gallen and Davis did not discriminate against Negroes and that there was nothing to prevent "colored people" from moving into vacant apartment houses along Amsterdam Ave. "If they can pay the rent."

The young woman then attempted to deny that the houses in question belonged to this firm. She was challenged also on that point, members of the delegation telling her that the firm's shingle hung in front of the places which had been denied apartments to Negroes. When she persisted in maintaining that Haggstrom, Gallen and Davis were not the owners, she was asked for a listing of available apartments in the Columbus Hill vicinity. She declined to supply such a list.

The delegation told the young woman that it was determined to see Haggstrom, or some other member of the firm, personally. Before leaving the offices, having promised that a definite appointment would be sought with Haggstrom in a letter setting forth all the facts, the delegation presented the following written statement:

"We members of the Lincoln Square Tenants League demand that vacant apartments be made available to all site tenants who are forced to move because of the project."

"Discrimination against any tenant, regardless of race, color or creed, is un-American and, therefore, un-democratic, and must be abolished. Any discovery of such discrimination on the part of landlords will be brought to the attention of the Mayor of the City of New York."

## Lawrence Rent Rise Fought by Textile Union

(Special to the Daily Worker)

LAWRENCE, Mass., Aug. 29.—"The Fair Rent and Price Committee," set up by the Textile Workers Union (CIO) of Lawrence has met with Mayor Walter A. Griffin to discuss the rising rents and prices which affect the welfare of the American Woolen Co. employees.

The committee was represented by Ralph Arivella, first vice-president of Local 227 of TWU, and other union members. The committee presented the following program:

Protection of living standards by insuring rent control; to prevent excessive labor turn-over in defense industries; a halt to rent profiteering and a general campaign against rising living costs.

The committee called for immediate action in view of attempts already begun to raise rents following the wage increases won by the workers.

Mayor Griffin agreed to cooperate with the committee on all questions affecting the living standards of the people involved.

The committee is demanding a defense housing project in Lawrence for the workers of the American Woolen Co., now engaged in defense production.

## Urge Probe Of Fish Franking Misuse

Jewish Group Calls for Investigation of Anti-Semitic Mailings

A demand for an immediate examination of the use of the Congressional frank was called for today by Bernard J. Harkavy, National Secretary of the Jewish Peoples Committee, in a letter addressed to Postmaster General Frank Walker.

This demand followed an investigation by the Jewish Peoples Committee of the sending of anti-Semitic literature through the franking privilege of Congressman Hamilton Fish, of New York.

At the same time Mr. Harkavy revealed that, in a discussion today with Congressman Fish, who was reached at his office at 111 Broadway, the Congressman charged that the franked envelope had probably been stolen from his office.

The envelope which bore the Congressional frank of Congressman Fish had been addressed to "The Fight for Jewdom Committee" at 1270 Sixth Avenue, which is the office of the Fight for Freedom Committee. Inserted in the letter was a vicious anti-Semitic publisher's pamphlet, issued by the Pelley Publishers.

For some time Pelley has been a fugitive from North Carolina and is supposedly in Indianapolis, Indiana, where his printing press is now located.

In his letter to Postmaster General Walker, Mr. Harkavy stated in part as follows: "The sending of the vicious anti-Semitic publisher's pamphlet of William Dudley Pelley under the franking privilege of a Congressman of the United States is only the latest of a number of such mailings where the Congressional frank is used to send pro-Nazi, anti-Semitic, and un-American materials free of charge through the mails."

"In the last session of Congress, former Congressman Jacob Thorsen made a regular practice of inserting anti-Semitic and pro-Nazi material in the Congressional Record and of sending it out under his franking privileges to citizens in every section of the country."

"I call upon you, therefore, as the Postmaster General of the United States, to institute an immediate and thorough investigation of the misuse of the franking privilege and to see to it that no more un-American and pro-Nazi propaganda is sent out under the Congressional frank."

## Dayton to Form Defense Council

DAYTON, Ohio, Aug. 29 (UP).—This city will organize one of the first local defense councils in Ohio in a drive to obtain defense contracts for small factories as a cushion against curtailment of non-defense production in big Dayton industries.

Organization of the defense council as soon as possible was recommended yesterday by an "emergency" meeting of governmental, labor, industrial and labor representatives.

## U. E. Union Signs Two Chicago Companies

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Aug. 29.—Two firms were signed up here today by the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers Union in agreements covering more than 600 workers at the General Transformer and Ampco Corp. plants.

The agreement at General Transformer provides for a union shop and an eight-cent an hour increase on the wage minimum.

The Ampco pact will bring workers a 15-cent an hour increase.

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## Students Expose Buick Job Discrimination

Religious, Race Bias Used Against Defense Training Grads; CIO Takes Quick Action Against Corporation

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Aug. 29.—Charges of discrimination by the Buick Corp., against Jewish, Negro, Italian and Greek students at the Illinois Institute of Technology Defense Training courses were leveled here today at a meeting of a committee of students at the offices of the CIO Cook County Council.

The students charged that out of the 984 taking the five courses on defense production training, 240, the majority of them Jewish, were not accepted for employment in the Buick Corporation's aircraft plant which has just opened production, because of their religion, color and nationality.

The majority of the students discriminated against had better than average grades, and in a number of cases were among the leaders in their class. Only two Jewish students were hired, apparently because their names and appearances were not Semitic. Out of seven Negro students six had averages of 90 and above, while only one failed to make the class average. None of the Negroes were hired. They were given one minute interviews in which they were asked to give their name, age, and religion.

**SACRIFICED JOBS**  
Almost all of the students gave up jobs ranging from \$100 to \$200 dollars per month in order to attend the classes which required full time attendance. A number of them are married and several have families. As one of them put it, "We're over a barrel."

They have been refused employment in the Buick plant and are without jobs. They estimated that they gave up \$300 in wages during the period as an average among the total rejected.

One week ago the students were given applications by the corporation which asked: religious preference, birthplace of parents and nationality. Last Friday, one week before the end of the courses, letters of acceptance were sent out to the students by the corporation. Inquiring among themselves, they

discovered that those rejected, regardless of their rating, were those whose race, nationality or color might make them unacceptable to Buick.

They got together Monday, and held a meeting at which a committee was elected to represent the body. They immediately contacted all students who had been rejected, and notified them of the discrimination. The Buick Anti Discrimination League, and the CIO Cook County Council Discrimination Committee. They also received the support of J. Dorfman, past state commander of the American Legion.

**CIO COUNCIL ACTS**  
Robert Travis of the CIO Council, immediately on receiving notice of the affair, sent wires to the president of the Buick Corp., Harlow Curtis, and Alderman Earl B. Dickinson, of the President's Committee Against Discrimination in Defense Industries, to urge a meeting with Dickinson, Travis also notified other unions in the city, the United Office and Professional Workers (CIO), the United Cannery Workers, the Steel Workers Organizing Committee, the Packing Workers, Farm Equipment, the Auto Workers, and several others. All unions notified immediately sent wires of protest to the President.

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## 'The People Will Decide' --- Philadelphia Communists Fight Hitler-Like Poll Ban

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tem. Commissioner Witkin's minority would rule the only decision party which has filed petitions, off the ballot... the hearing proved... that the O'Brien bill (concerning force and violence) does not apply to the Communist Party. The only witness Witkin could bring was the discredited stool-pigeon and strike-breaker J. B. Matthews. The unholy alliance between the Republican machine of J. Edgar Hoover and the fascist Dies Committee reveals the fascist aims behind Mr. Witkin's witch-hunting."

**THE KEY ISSUE**  
The struggle involves the unity of the people against Hitlerism for free elections and a free ballot; not only for the Communist Party, but for the entire American people.

Morton Witkin, chairman of the County Board of Elections, has played the role assigned him by his reactionary Republican and Democratic accomplices. His chief stage hand has been John Connor, Republican attorney for the Election Board.

Philip Frankfeld, Secretary of the Communist Party of Eastern Pennsylvania pointed his finger at Mr. Connor from the witness stand as

week and declared: "If you were in Nazi Germany you would support Hitler. I would fight him." Mr. Connor remained silent.

For two days, spectators in the court were face to face with Hitlerism in America, in a hearing designed to bar the Communist Party from the ballot. The pretext is that the Communist Party advocates "force and violence," and comes under the provisions of the O'Brien bill.

**GESTAPO METHODS**  
The noted civil liberties lawyer, David Levinson, who was present at the Reichstag Fire Trial in Nazi Germany, 1933, was forcibly ejected from the court room. Mr. Levinson is reported to have stated that never in his 33 years as an attorney had he witnessed such an undemocratic procedure, and he did not exclude the Dimitroff Trial.

The methods of "justice" against American democratic procedure was a continuation of the campaign of terror carried out by the police and the Dies Committee against thousands of people who signed nominating papers for the Communist Party, and hundreds who collected signatures. Previous scenes included some 35,000 visits to signers of last year's petitions by the police; letters to them from the

Dies Committee, and the District Attorney, in an effort to obtain repudiations, publication of all their names. Twenty-three people were fired from their jobs, and eight signature collectors were indicted on frame-up charges.

Despite the previous intimidation, 10,000 names were obtained this year, with ten signature collectors arrested. Mass protests led to the release of the signature collectors and an order by the Chief of Police forbidding further arrests. A short epic would be needed to do justice to the heroic work of this year's signature collectors, and the magnificent response of the people, particularly among Philadelphia's 200,000 Negroes.

**EXPOSE LIES**  
In a three hour session on the stand, Philip Frankfeld ripped apart the lies that Dies Investigator, J. B. Matthews had previously made that the Communist Party advocated "force and violence." He charged that fraud and corruption on the part of the county board of elections was responsible for 200,000 fraudulent votes in last year's elections.

Carl Reeve, chairman of the Communist Party election committee, proved the validity of the nominating papers, and defied threatened contempt proceedings for re-

fusing to give the names of signature collectors.

Thirteen signature collectors, who had signed affidavits as to the validity of the 10,000 names collected, and were called to the stand refused to be terrorized into furnishing names of other signature collectors.

Joseph Doughier, veteran of the World War, who spent two years fighting fascism in Spain, testified as candidate for City Controller that he would defend America against Hitlerism with his blood if called upon tomorrow.

The following well known attorneys were not permitted to make an appearance as friends of the court: William J. Woolston, American Civil Liberties Union; A. J. Iserman, National Federation for Constitutional Liberties; Theodore Spaulding, local chairman of the NAACP; Francis Taylor, noted authority on constitutional law; and a representative of the Committee for People's Rights.

The Election Board's decision, ruling the Communist Party off the ballot, will be appealed to the courts, and has already been answered in the testimony of Carl Reeve:

"The decision in this case, Mr. Witkin, rests not with you, but with the people!"



# Pope Gets Atrocity Data

## Nazis Terrorize Slovenia Priests

Secret Report to Pope Bares Hitler 'Christianity' Sham, Judge Here Says

Wholesale arrests of Catholic clergymen, confiscation of church property and vandalizing of pulpits featured the Nazi invasion of Slovenia, it was disclosed in a secret report submitted to Pope Pius XII and made public here yesterday by Justice Frederick L. Hackenberg of the Court of Special Sessions.

"I am making it public to expose the shameful hypocrisy of the Nazis' claim that they are now fighting for Christianity," Justice Hackenberg said.

The judge said the report was written by Dr. Marko Natlacan, formerly Governor of Slovenia, a part of Yugoslavia until the Nazi invasion, April 6. The report covers the first six weeks after the Nazi entry into Yugoslavia.

### REPORT SMUGGLED OUT

The judge explained that Dr. Natlacan drafted the report after fleeing the German-conquered territory into the Italian-occupied zone. He ventured the guess that Dr. Natlacan, who has not been heard from since, is either dead or in a fascist concentration camp.

He received the document from a Slovene who smuggled it out of Yugoslavia, the judge said.

Describing the attacks upon the priesthood and the pillaging of the church, the report dwelt upon the example of Maribor, a town of 33,000 population in Slovenia. There the Nazi authorities took over on Good Friday, made wholesale arrests of clergymen, mocked the priests by donning clerical robes and permitted a local mob of fifth columnists to plunder a valuable seminary library.

### PRIESTS ATTACKED

Throughout the entire district priests were harassed, jailed or driven from their pulpits and parish houses. Church property, parochial schools, monasteries and convents were confiscated by the Nazis.

Sacrilege and defilement were common, according to the report. It was usual for Gestapo agents or SS troops to break into a church during a mass and drag the priest and his assistants off to jail.

In the town of Kranj, on May 9, a German officer entered a church, cigarette in his mouth and hat on his head, drew his revolver, scattered the congregation and screamed imprecations at the priest.

A special delight of the Nazis was to arrest priests and monks and compel them to clean lavatories with their bare hands, repair roads or work in oil refineries. Given no beds, they were frequently forced to sleep on filthy stone floors. Rations were always short and many of the priests fell ill of cold. At least one death of exposure was noted.

### MASS REPRESSION

Similar treatment was accorded merchants, tradesmen and manufacturers, according to the report. In Maribor 2,000 persons were arrested including Lord Mayor, all high city officials, judges, lawyers, teachers and priests. Some of the prisoners were later released and driven across the Croatian border, permitted to take only the equivalent of \$4.70 with them.

At the beginning of his report Dr. Natlacan noted that the Nazi invaders were following a policy of annihilating the Slovenian population. He wrote under the date of May 10: "Everything that has happened from April 10 up to the present day in the Slovenian territory occupied by German troops and administered by German civil authorities has served one main purpose: The Slovenian people must be exterminated from the face of the earth."

### ANNIHILATION POLICY

This policy agreed with an announcement made 11 months earlier by Franz Steindl, Nazi district leader of Slovenian Styria, that he had received from Fuehrer Hitler the mandate "to make this country German again." As a matter of fact, Slovenia, with the exception of the border region adjoining Austria, had never been Germanized.

The Gestapo and SS troops proceeded to "Germanize" Slovenians on April 10, when all resistance by Yugoslav forces in Slovenia had been suppressed.

He concluded his report by noting that the Nazi actions were in flat contradiction to Hitler's promises to Croats and Slovenes. Dr. Natlacan wrote:

"The Fuehrer of the German people and Reich, Adolf Hitler, made this solemn promise when the war between Germany and Yugoslavia began: 'We won't fight against the Croats and the Slovenes. They will be spared.' With regret we report that the actions of the German authorities in the occupied Slovenian territory have been exactly the opposite of what the Fuehrer promised so solemnly."

## R.A.F. Stages Big Daylight Raid on Reich

Nazi Command Claims 31 Planes Down in Dutch Bombings

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dropped bombs on eastern England last night, causing a few casualties at one point.

### NAZI ACE FLYER SHOT DOWN

BERLIN, Aug. 29 (UP).—The German High Command claimed in a communique today that 31 British planes, including seven bombers, were shot down yesterday during daylight raids on occupied territory along the Channel and Dutch coasts.

The communique said that Capt. Hermann Joppelen, a group commander in a pursuit plane squadron, was missing. He was one of Germany's leading aces and was credited with destruction of 70 enemy planes.

### RAF HITS TWO AXIS VESSELS

CAIRO, Aug. 29 (UP).—Royal Air Force bombers scored hits on two enemy vessels in the central Mediterranean yesterday, an air communique claimed today.

Heavy bombers attacked the harbor of Benghazi, Libya, Wednesday night and started a number of fires while bombers from the South African air force heavily attacked and hit an enemy ammunition dump near Bardia, it was claimed. All planes returned safely from those operations.

## Union Charges State Official Is Pro-Fascist

Urge Powers Stripped from Labor Deputy Godfrey Schmidt

Deputy Commissioner Godfrey P. Schmidt of the State Department of Labor should be stripped of his power to investigate employees because of his pro-fascist philosophy, his superior was told yesterday.

The request was made to Labor Commissioner Freda Miller in a letter by Daniel Allen, secretary-treasurer of the State, County and Municipal Workers, CIO. Allen based his judgment on a speech made last week by Schmidt in which he attacked democracy as "divisive."

Numerous employees of the Department of Labor are being investigated by Schmidt for alleged "subversive activities."

Allen cited a New York Times story of Schmidt's address before the Catholic Central Verein in which he leveled a thinly-veiled attack upon the Roosevelt Administration and its foreign policies and American conceptions of democracy.

The text of Allen's letter follows: "It makes absolutely no sense for a man with this point of view to investigate subversive opinion and activity in the Department of Labor. If he meant business, he would have a full time job investigating himself. I might add that this point of view and its advocate have no place in a department which administers the labor laws of the state," said the letter.

## Nazi General Killed in USSR

BERLIN, Aug. 29 (UP).—A death notice in the newspaper Volkischer Beobachter today revealed the death of divisional commander Maj. Gen. Kurt Kalmukoff, 49, on the Eastern Front.

Kalmukoff, killed Aug. 13 leading his division, was the third German general whose death has been announced from the Eastern Front.

## Big Turnout For Browder Brigade Urged

A call for a big turnout in the fifth weekly mobilization of the Browder Brigade was made yesterday in a joint statement issued by I. Amter, chairman and Charles Krumbein, secretary of the New York State Communist Party.

The statement read:

"Tonight is the fifth mobilization of the Browder Brigade. It comes as a turning point in each year's work—the Labor Day weekend. After this weekend many people will come back to strengthen our Party's ranks and guarantee the continued success of our efforts to build the circulation of the Daily and Sunday Worker.

"Tonight, however, we may find our forces limited. Therefore the Party as a whole must come to the support of the Browder Brigade to organize a successful mobilization!

"Every Section should compensate for absences by finding new volunteers from among those who are in the city. We call upon Party members who will remain in New York to report to their Section stations tonight to fill in the ranks of the Browder Brigade, and take 20,000 copies of the Sunday Worker to the streets of New York.

"Full support and assistance for the Browder Brigade will carry us through this fifth week of our campaign as we swing into Fall activity!

"I. AMTER, Chairman

"CHARLES KRUMBEIN, Secretary

"Communist Party, N. Y. State."

## Budenny Hurls Back Nazi Drives at Dnieper

Germans Lose Heavily as Red Army Repulses 3 Attacks; Down 500 Planes

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entered the water than they came under the fire of well-camouflaged Russian artillery," it was said.

At another point, the communique said, the Germans reached the western bank of the same river where they were met by a "sudden bayonet charge" and suffered heavy losses.

Several small Soviet units then were sent to the enemy's rear and "kept him continuously harassed."

A strong German tank column, it was said, was detached to deal with these units "but the tanks encountered a minefield and were stopped."

When the Germans showed signs of exhaustion, the communique said, the Russians apparently crossed the river in full force and attacked the enemy.

"The retreating Germans made a stand in a river field immediately after the Russians brought into action guns firing incendiary shells and set the river ablaze," the communique said.

"The enemy, seeking to escape from the flames, discarded arms and equipment and the river crossing remained in Soviet hands."

(Berlin reports told of several Soviet counter-attacks across to the west bank of the Dnieper but said they were repulsed.)

The Dnieper, rushing over hundreds of square miles of the lower Ukraine after its waters were unleashed by the blasting of the great \$110,000,000 Dnieperstroy power dam, formed a formidable barrier to the Germans in their eastern drive.

A war communique announced the evacuation of the dam area and the city of Dnepropetrovsk after a fierce rear-guard action that enabled hundreds of thousands of Budenny's troops to evacuate to new positions on the east bank of Europe's third largest river.

Behind them they left nothing but stripped fields, leveled factories and miles of flooded ground. The Red Army destroyed about \$250,000,000 worth of property in the area.

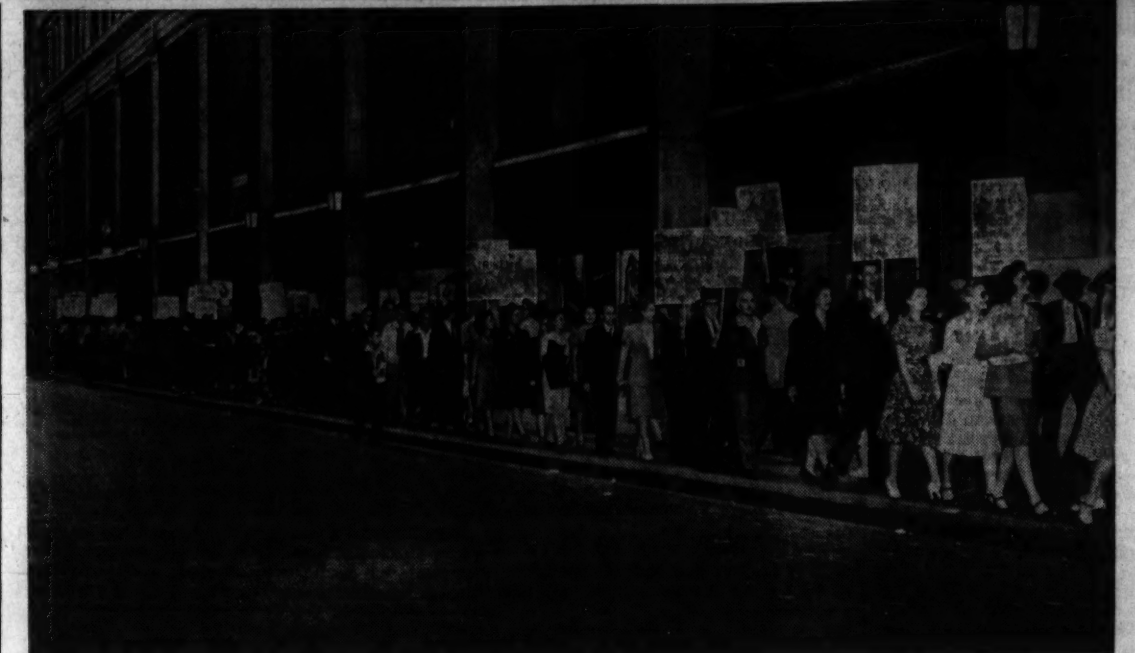
From all sections of the front, from mid-Finland to the Black Sea, the Soviet communique reported fierce battles.

### KONEV GAINS CONTINUE

Dispatches from the front reported also that the big counter-offensive of Gen. I. A. Konev's army in the Gomel-Smolensk stretch of the Central Front, entered its 13th day without abatement.

The communique disclosed that Soviet planes had bombed Koenigsberg, capital of East Prussia, and said the Red Army downed 78 German planes Tuesday and Wednesday. In the Baltic the Red Air Force was reported to have sunk two German transports.

A big battle in a Ukrainian town designated only as "N" was described. This action, apparently one related to the withdrawal around the Dnieper Dam, cost the Germans more than 10,000 killed and wounded, 40 tanks and ar-



CIO Aids Strikers: Several thousand CIO workers demonstrated in front of the struck Gimbel store on Thursday evening at the call of the Greater New York Industrial Council. The downtown shopping district resounded with the slogans of "One, Two, Three, Four, Five Day Week," and

"Mr. Gimbel, You Can't Take It With You." Transport, maritime, warehouse, electrical, fur, office, civil service and other workers jammed the lines. A conference called by the national CIO in Washington continued throughout yesterday between union and management representatives in an effort to arrive at a strike settlement.

—Daily Worker Photo

## \$106,000 Is Raised in Free Press Drive

Amter Describes How Sum Was Raised, Results Praised

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by this time, has raised only 80 per cent thus far, he added, although the remaining 20 per cent will probably be raised before the week is out.

"And where do we stand now?" the Press Fund Committee treasurer was asked.

"Missouri," Mr. Amter said, "with only 50 per cent of its funds raised on Aug. 16, and New Jersey, with only 62 per cent raised at that time, have already completed their quotas, as I told you.

"As to the others, Illinois and Indiana have gone up from 40 per cent to 51 per cent; Philadelphia from 40 to 46 per cent; Pittsburgh from 15 to 34 per cent; Michigan from 55 to 66 per cent; New England from 65 to 81 per cent; Wisconsin, from 40 to 53 per cent."

He went on: "To be sure, all these states have increased their percentage of the quota since the Press Fund Committee made its appeal. But they still have the responsibility of 100 per cent completion by Labor Day. We believe they can still accomplish this, since without question there are funds now being gathered together by state Press Fund committees. All funds received immediately after Labor Day will be recorded as state accomplishments up to Labor Day."

"This drive," Israel Amter added with a smile, "must go better than any press fund drive ever conducted. And it will, too, for our friends are understanding more and more the need for a free press—of which the Daily Worker is the most perfect example—as powerful instruments for building the anti-fascist front in America."

## 66 Jewish Refugees Arrive in Barcelona

BARCELONA, Spain, Aug. 29 (UP).—Sixty-six German Jews arrived here today with visas for the United States. They will sail for New York on Sept. 10 aboard the steamer Villa Madrid.

## Senate Tax Bill Snags U. S. Defense Unity; Labor Opposes Blow to Low Income Groups

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defense expenditures. Byrd and his associates are out to dismantle government agencies which are important for the morale and health of a united nation.

The people who came out second best were those who can scarcely afford to pay taxes and the Treasury Department experts who tried to suggest something approaching a more equitable tax system.

Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau offered the committee six suggestions to improve on the bill passed by the House and to raise additional money sorely needed for financing the defense program.

The Senators listened very politely and then threw most of the suggestions on taxing those with ability to pay out of the window.

### KILL JOINT INCOME

The committee could have restored the joint income return to prevent wealthy married couples from splitting up their income and thus raise \$300,000,000. Instead it adopted a half-hearted

step which will yield only \$51,000,000. But even this mild action caused the biggest battle inside the committee with Senator Tom Connally, Texas reactionary, demanding postponement.

The Finance Committee could have heeded Secretary Morgenthau's request to tap the excess profits of the most prosperous corporations which are practically untouched under the present law.

But it did not only ignore the Treasury recommendation to remove one of the biggest loopholes in the measure, the average earnings method of computing excess profits.

It went even further and eliminated a provision in the House bill for a special 10 per cent excess profits tax. This tax was aimed especially at companies who are making more money now than they ever did before as a result of the defense program, but don't have to pay excess profits because of loopholes in the present law.

The committee could have adopted the Treasury proposals to lower the exemptions on gift and estate taxes from the present high

level of \$40,000 to \$25,000 and to increase tax rates, and raise an additional \$195,300,000.

But the committee brushed aside these Treasury recommendations. The only proposal it did accept was to lower the personal exemptions on income taxes because that was the "line of least resistance" as the Wall Street Journal so aptly put it.

### LOW INCOMES HIT

It preferred to raise new revenues by taxing the single man earning \$14 a week and the married couple earning \$28.

Although Secretary Morgenthau did ask the committee to lower personal exemptions, he made it very plain that his other recommendations must be accepted alongside to reach "ability to pay which is escaping its fair share of taxes."

The Treasury proposal to tax more of the low-income group is certainly the wrong way to tackle the problem of raising more money, but it can at least be said that its other suggestions moved in the direction of a just tax system.

Lowering the personal exemptions

has been attacked by the CIO and progressive groups as hitting at families who will have to cut down on their food and clothing in order to pay taxes.

The committee's action means that a single person earning \$750 a year, and a married couple earning \$1,500, will now have to dip into their meagre pay envelopes and pay a direct income tax.

Lowering of personal exemptions doesn't only apply to people who never paid taxes before. It also raises the amount of taxes paid by other groups in the low-income brackets.

The new exemptions mean that every single person has \$50 more taxable income and every married couple has \$500 more to be taxed.

### EXEMPTIONS LOWERED

Previously a single person earning \$1,000 got an exemption of \$800 and had to pay a 4 per cent tax on the remaining \$200. Now the exemption is lowered \$50 and that means another \$2.00 in taxes.

For married couples, the lowered exemption of \$500 means an addi-

tional \$20 in taxes. The present credit in the law of \$400 for each dependent is still retained.

But that isn't all. Broadening the base means that more people will have to pay surtaxes. Surtaxes are taxes levied in addition to the normal four per cent income tax, but they apply on income after deduction of personal exemption and dependents.

Now a single person earning above \$750, and a married couple earning above \$1,500, will have to pay a surtax on any income above those levels amounting to 6 per cent and 10 per cent.

Naturally, lowering of personal exemptions doesn't affect the guys in the higher brackets much, because when you are paying taxes on a \$20,000 income, another \$20 or so doesn't matter.

Labor is ready to contribute its fair share of the cost of the defense program but it does not feel that the Senate Finance Committee helped defense particularly by putting the main burden on workers who need their meagre earnings for food and clothing and permitting huge sources of corporate revenue to go untapped.

## That Moscow 'Voice' Has the Nazis Jittery

LONDON, Aug. 29 (UP).—The voice of "Ivan, the Terrible," who breaks in on German war broadcasts to heckle the Nazi announcers, today introduced a new comedy for German listeners.

The German announcer, seeking to assure that listeners will hear the news even if the "voice from nowhere" interrupts now precedes each item with a headline summary. Ivan came back with a counter-headline attack.

It went this way:

Nazi: Here's the news.

Ivan: Here's the old liar again.

Nazi: New victories for German troops.

Ivan: Don't you believe it.

Nazi: Britain starves the world.

Ivan: And Hitler's the culprit.

Nazi: Luftwaffe shoots down 100 Soviet planes.

Ivan: And how many German planes were shot down?

Nazi: Here's an Italian communique.

Ivan: Via Goebbels.

## 'Free Browder,' Mayor Asks Needle Trades Official Asks

Business Agent Cites Browder's Activities Against Fascism

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their life and death struggle against Japan."

Mr. Kaplan also called attention to Browder's constant advocacy of a foreign policy of American-Soviet collaboration against Hitler and fascism.

Referring to the imprisonment of Browder for four years in a Federal Penitentiary on a charge of a technical violation of a passport regulation as "one of America's greatest miscarriages of justice," the labor official asked for the immediate freeing of the imprisoned leader.

"President Roosevelt has called for a united nation in this unlimited national emergency to defeat Hitlerism," the ILGWU official stated, "when the release of Earl Browder at the present time will greatly strengthen the anti-fascist forces for the defeat of Hitler abroad and the appeasers at home."

## Vera Cruz Bans Arms

VERA CRUZ, Mexico, Aug. 29 (UP).—A ban on sales of arms and munitions throughout the State of Vera Cruz was ordered today by the defense ministry. No reason for the order was given.

## Intervenes to Break Deadlock Between Union and Firm

Mayor LaGuardia yesterday intervened in the deadlocked negotiations between representatives of the Postal Telegraph Co. and the American Communications Association, CIO.

The Mayor wired representatives of both sides to meet him at LaGuardia Airport at 7:30 last night.

A committee of 35, representing A.C.A. Postal telegraph locals throughout the system, headed by Joseph Kelly, president, came to the field to meet the mayor.

Negotiations for a contract to replace the agreement that expires Sept. 30, began on Aug. 18. The union is demanding a 20 per cent wage increase, pointing to a rise in the cost of living by as much as the present contract had gone into effect.

The mayor's intervention is presumed to be in his capacity as Civilian Defense Director.

## Axis Ship Escapes

SHANGHAI, Aug. 29 (UP).—The 1,300-ton Italian escort vessel Eritrea arrived from Kobe, Japan, today. The vessel had docked there last March after its escape from British patrols in the Red Sea, Indian Ocean and Pacific Ocean.

## Hold Parley In Capital On Gimbel Walkout

Picketing Continues as Management Meets with CIO Leaders

Picketing in front of the struck Gimbel store continued yesterday as a special conference in Washington called by the national CIO between union and management for a possible solution of the strike was still in progress.

During the day, the Department Store Employees Union, conducting the walkout, received \$280 from the National Maritime Union and \$200 from the Transport Workers. Three shiploads of food were sent to strike headquarters by Bloomingdale workers. Local 89 of the Cooks and Pastry Assistants of the Hotel and Restaurant International, AFL, also contributed food.

### SHOPPERS BACK STRIKE

The New York League of Women Shoppers yesterday urged all consumers to write to the Gimbel management protesting the strike. The League is supporting the strikers in their demands for a 5-day, 40-hour week and \$2 wage increases.

William Michelson, president of the United Department Store Employees; Saul Mills, secretary of the Greater New York Industrial Union Council; George Meisler, union vice-president; three members of the strike negotiating committee, and Samuel Wolchok, president of the United Wholesale and Retail Department Store Employees, CIO, were present at the Washington conference. Michael Widman represented Allan S. Hayward and Louis Brodsky, vice-president of Gimbel's, also sat in.

## Refugees Arrive at Hamilton, Bermuda

HAMILTON, Bermuda, Aug. 29 (UP).—The 5,473-ton Spanish ship Naverna arrived here today with 1,100 persons aboard, mostly refugees, enroute to New York, via Havana.

The ship, which has normal accommodations for only 400 persons, sailed from Lisbon Aug. 7. Refugees were reported to have paid \$500 each for their passage.



## Shoe Union Starts Gift Drive For British, Soviet Soldiers

A collection drive for gifts for British soldiers and Red Army men has been started among the 10,000 members in the Shoe Workers Joint Council, CIO, in Greater New York, following adoption of a resolution last week calling upon the United States government to give full and immediate aid to the Soviet Union and Great Britain.

With Fitters Local 65 taking the

initiative, the other eight locals of the union have been asked to form committees to conduct the fund collection drive.

Coupon books with stamps in denominations of 25 cents and over are being circulated among the membership. The drive is expected to net a substantial sum for the men on the firing line.

The Joint Council named one of its members to aid in the coordination of the campaign.

## Slovak Paper Begins Fund Drive for Soviet Medical Aid

Ludovy Dennik, Widely Read Chicago Daily Paper, Promotes Drive; Czech Groups Spur Campaign

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 29.—The Slovak daily newspaper Ludovy Dennik, has started a fund drive for medical aid and other assistance to the Soviet Union.

The newspaper will solicit funds to purchase materials for the Czechoslovak legion which is being formed in the Soviet Union. A letter from the Department of State informed the newspaper that registration with its Secretary was not required for the solicitation of funds for the Soviet Union.

## Flint Slav Groups Unite

(Special to the Daily Worker)

FLINT, Mich., Aug. 29.—Aid to the Slav Armies in the USSR is the objective of the United States Slav Committee of Flint, formed by outstanding Slav leaders at a meeting held here this week.

A huge unity picnic will be held at 21 Pulaski Park, to spur the campaign.

Forty-five Slav leaders representing 12 Slav organizations declared yesterday that the "fight against the greatest enemy of all Slavic peoples—fascism"—would unite the 20,000 Slavs in the city in an unbreakable front.

Miss Bernoff of the influential Russian-American Progressive Club was elected chairman of the committee and Lola Novak, member of the Polish National Alliance was elected secretary.

The next meeting of the committee will take place tomorrow, 8 P. M., at the International Institute of the YWCA.

## Macedonians in N.Y. Hail USSR

(Special to the Daily Worker)

LACKAWANNA, N. Y., Aug. 29.—The Macedonian Progressive Group and Bulgarian-Macedonian Educational Club at a recent meeting held here called for the immediate destruction of Hitlerism for its brutal attack on world democracy and the peace loving people of the Soviet Union.

An unanimous resolution declared, "We, Bulgarians and Macedonians extend to you, the people of the great USSR, our sincerest message of solidarity and pledge to do all we can in achieving the complete annihilation of Nazism and Fascism."

## OPEN FUND DRIVE

The gathering heard a report on the international situation by Dr. George D. Popoff and set up a committee for the collection of funds to aid Red Army soldiers. A letter was sent to Ambassador Constantine Oumansky pledging support to the great struggle of progressive humanity against the Hitler menace.

## U. S. Slavs to Hold Congress

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Aug. 26.—Pittsburgh, where the formal agreement setting up Osechoslavia was signed at the end of the last war, will shortly be the scene of another historic meeting affecting the Balkan countries.

Now, however, the issue is not the establishment of a country but the liberation of the occupied Slav countries.

Pittsburgh was selected by the great Czech leader, Thomas Masaryk, as the site for the signing of the compact between the Czech and Slovak representatives because this city is in the center of the greatest Slav-American population in the country.

For this reason too, the All-American Slav Congress will be held here during the early fall.

## PREPARATIONS STARTED

Although the exact date of the Congress, which has the aim of uniting all Slavs in the country for the struggle against Hitlerism and the liberation of the occupied countries, is not yet set, the movement toward the Congress is already underway.

Local "All-Slav conferences" are being organized in Western Pennsylvania towns. Word has come from such Ohio centers of Slav population as Akron that similar conferences are taking place elsewhere.

## Office Union Protests Terror in France

Urges Immediate End of Persecutions in Statement to Envoy

The Executive Board of Local 16 of the United Office and Professional Workers Union at a meeting here this week voted unanimously to protest the mass persecutions and arrests of innocent French workers, Jews and other opposed to the vicious Hitler regime.

## Painters to Donate Day's Work for Defense

Saturday, Sept. 27 Set Here; Will Contribute Wages Earned

New York painters will work on Saturday, Sept. 27—a radical departure from the 5-day week rule—and contribute their wages for this day to promoting national defense, it was announced here Thursday night by the Committee to Defend America.

Carrying out this plan was authorized by a 10 to 1 vote in its favor in a membership referendum of the 12 local unions of District Council No. 9 (Manhattan and Bronx), Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers of America, AFL, with 12,000 members. Local unions of District Council No. 18 (Brooklyn) and District Council No. 28 (Queens) have also voted to participate.

The wages earned on what is to be known as Painters' Defense America Day will be contributed through the Committee to Defend America to the work of that committee, the United Service Organizations, the American Labor Committee to Aid British Labor, the O. R. H. and similar organizations.

## RALLY AT NIGHT

A mass meeting and defense America party for the painters and their families will be held at Manhattan Center on the evening of Sept. 27, with addresses by trade union leaders, government officials and stars of the stage and screen.

Saturday was chosen by the New York painters for this contribution as a means of emphasizing their wholehearted support of national defense, according to Michael Di Silvestro, secretary-treasurer, District Council No. 9.

"New York painters are extremely jealous of their 5-day week," said Mr. Di Silvestro. "But they are glad to make this exception in this time of great national emergency. This is demonstrated by the 10 to 1 vote."

## Navy Announces New Policy on Promotions

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 (UP).—

The Navy announced today a new policy of promoting enlisted men who distinguish themselves for bravery or other meritorious deeds, regardless of their length of service.

"It is the Navy's policy to authorize advancement for such qualities which are especially desirable in petty officers and are not determinable by any written competitive examination," officials said.

## Honor Boy Scout

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 (UP).—

The Veterans of Foreign Wars today awarded Douglas R. Becker, 20, Queens Village, N. Y., their 12th annual gold medal and a \$300 scholarship for being the year's "outstanding boy scout." Becker is an Eagle Scout.

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## Won't Be Cheated

out of pay raises due them, said this crowd (above) of 3,500 members of the Transport Workers Union Thursday night. The meeting discussed the wage schedule handed down by the Board of Transportation Wednesday and resolved to press the fight to make the new scales retroactive to June 30, and obtain \$300,000 in increases for July and August. The new scales, according to the disputed Board plan, take effect Sept. 1. (Right) TWU International President Michael J. Quill (seated at left) in a little chat with local president Austin Hogan on the platform.

## Negro Bus Drivers Soon to Be Employed

Mechanics Already on Job Here; Vacancies Being Filled

Several Negro mechanics have been given jobs by the Fifth Avenue Coach Co. and the New York City Omnibus Corporation since April 29, the date on which the companies' agreement with the Negro Bus Committee and the Transport Workers Union went into effect, a member of the Committee said yesterday. He said that since the 100 men on the union's extra list will soon be all reemployed, it will not be long before Negro bus drivers are on the job.

The agreement between the bus companies, on the one hand, and the Negro Bus Committee and the Transport Workers Union, on the other, stipulated that Negro bus drivers would begin to be hired as soon as 100 white drivers, temporarily laid off, had been reemployed.

"This 100 is diminishing so fast that in a little while there will be vacancies for Negro drivers," the Negro Bus Committee member said. He said that the Negro mechanics hired since the agreement was signed have "demonstrated their ability" to the complete satisfaction of the bus companies.

It was learned yesterday also that 10 recent Negro graduates of New York vocational schools are working as apprentices in the shops of the Fifth Avenue Coach Co. After a year's service, it is said, these youths will "automatically" become mechanics' helpers and, in time, mechanics. A parents-teachers association in Harlem is credited with having procured these jobs.

The Negro Bus Committee, which, with the Transport Workers Union, engineered the agreement with the bus companies, comprised representatives from the National Negro Congress, the Harlem Labor Union and the Greater New York Coordinating Committee for Employment.

Before it had attained its objective of a written agreement to place Negro drivers on the buses of New York City, the Negro Bus Committee organized picket lines at all important bus stops in Harlem and called several mass meetings. It was reported at one of these meetings that the companies were losing \$3,000 daily from the boycott.

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## Aid USSR to Crush Nazi Peril to U. S., Says Farm Parley

Missouri Farmers Back FDR Aid to All Hitler Foes; Support Defense Policy

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The high point of legislative activity, as reported to the convention, was the recent mass demonstration of 2,000 farmers at the State Capitol in Jefferson City. It was this demonstration which halted the drive to foist on Missouri farmers a fake conservation program which would have dealt serious blows to farmers' finances and freedom of action.

The convention itself brought to Sedalia 1,585 delegates representing 45,000 members. The official reports showed that the membership had increased by 12,000 in the past year and that the total cooperative business had reached \$55,000,000, returning more than \$1,000,000 in dividends.

The convention reported a great extension of MFA cooperative enterprises, including a new transport company, a new administration building and the purchase of "The Missouri Farmer," previously conducted privately, which has now become the official MFA organ.

In the presidential election, Heinkei was opposed by certain business interests centering in three counties. However, the rank and file vote from sixty counties elected Heinkei by two to one majority. In a resolution adopted unanimously by the convention favoring strong support for the Government Foreign Policy, while still opposing an AEP at this time, it was said:

"We recognize that the character of the war was radically changed when the Nazi war machine ruthlessly attacked the Soviet Union, and, although our people hold no special brief for the Soviet Union's form of government, we do comprehend that a victory for Hitlerism would not only mean economic disaster for us in America, but might well spell the beginning of the end for civilization itself.

"If the Nazis should come into possession of the vast natural resources of Soviet Russia, includ-

ing a sixth of the earth's land surface, this gangster government would then constitute a real threat to America.

"Therefore we endorse the policy of our government in sending aid to nations fighting for their liberties and in building our own defenses sufficiently strong to protect our country against any oppressor.

The resolution also called for higher pay for draftees and increased recreational facilities. The conventions of the women's progressive farmers' association and the junior farmers' association subsidiaries of the MFA were also held here at the same time that the MFA held its sessions. Education to further the cooperative movement among Missouri farmers was the main theme of the meetings. Among speakers heard at the MFA convention were representatives of farmers' organizations in Indiana and Nebraska.

## Union Asks Gov't To Take Plant

NEW HAVEN, Aug. 29 (FP).—

Refusal of the New Haven Clock Co. to bargain in the face of a 7 and a half to 1 union victory in an NLRB election brought a union demand that the OPM intervene and take over the plant.

The demand was made by Caesar Guazzo, organizer of the United Paper Toy and Novelty Workers Int'l. Union, CIO. Guazzo said the firm had rejected the union's minimum 3-point plan for resuming operations.

Local 459, United Clock Workers Union, affiliated with the UPTNWU, won the election by 119 to 158. The strike for recognition was called Aug. 19. The firm has defense orders for time-bomb fuse mechanisms.

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The rumor now is to have some sort of separate peace settlement

between Finland and the Soviet Union—perhaps through intervention by President Franklin D. Roosevelt—in order "to prevent Finland from bleeding to death," as Mr. Deuss reported. He added that visitors from Finland to Stockholm have given "a grim picture of conditions in Finland after nine weeks of war."

The Finnish military attaché in Washington, Colonel Per Zilliacus, has begun to put forth tentative hints of a separate peace, according to a dispatch to yesterday's New York Times. He was reported as saying that "it was doubtful if the Finns would continue in a long fight against the Russians." He declared, according to the dispatch, that he would be "very surprised" if the Finns took part in the siege of Leningrad.

The reluctance of the Finns to bleed their nation to death for Nazi gain can be well understood. It may be good "strategy" for Hitler to sacrifice Finnish troops on the Northern Front, just as he is ruthlessly sacrificing Rumanian troops on the Southern

Front, provided these peoples don't catch on. The Finns, it appears, are catching on—but then they had one contest with the Red Army before, and they already knew the difficulties involved.

Newspaper readers may wonder a little at this apparently sudden development, in view of the reports from Helsinki of great "victories" over the Red Army, "victories" as spectacular as those written by the combined hands of Adolf Hitler and Joseph Goebbels, and sent out as gospel from the "Fuehrer's headquarters."

The answer is that the Helsinki dispatches in this war, like those in the Soviet-Finnish hostilities of the fall of 1939, were fabricated by a typewriter, not on the battlefield. "Finnish communiques are infrequent and unreliable," said Rutherford Denlinger, writer on P. M. in the issue of July 6, when the Soviet-Nazi war was no more than two weeks old. That judgment applies to all Finnish communiques up to the present.

It is worth noting, incidentally,

that according to the dispatch from Mr. Deuss quoted earlier, "Finland would be facing the Russians almost alone, when the fighting became most severe—in early December when lakes and swamps freeze."

Why would Finland be "alone"? Those of us who have noted the frequent sinking of German troop transports in the Baltic have at least part of the answer. The Red Navy in the Baltic has been most vigilant, and not a great many German troops have been able to reach Finland in order to strike Leningrad from the north. Incidentally, in destroying at least 14 German submarines, the Red Navy has contributed to winning the battle of the Atlantic as well as protected Leningrad.

One other point is worth noting in regard to the Finnish situation: "Finnish labor and possibly a majority of the Finnish population favored halting military operations," says a telephoned Stockholm dispatch to the Times yesterday—and then adds a bit of remembered propaganda, "once the lost territories were reconquered."

The United Press correspondent yesterday also said that "the Finnish people hoped that their part in the war would be finished in a few weeks." He adds that the Finns have "paid heavily" for the comparatively slight advances they—with German help—have made.

It appears that the Soviet radio constantly broadcasts to the Finns in the Finnish language, urging peace and friendship. For nearly two years now, since the Mannerheim-Ryti clique plunged the little country into war, communication between the Soviets and Finland has been rather close and frequent. This period has seen the rise in Finland of a strong pro-Soviet movement, which has been a thorn in the side of Hitler and his reactionary Finnish friends.

Some days ago—on Aug. 22—an Associated Press dispatch remarked of the "Mannerheim Line" that "the Russians since had turned the line around, to oppose its builders." Isn't it a good thing that the Red Army took over that Mannerheim Line, so that it could be turned against Hitler when the time came?

## COAST BROADCAST

Out in Seattle International Youth Day will be celebrated by a radio broadcast by Ed Alexander, District Secretary of the YCL on Sept. 9, over the Mutual-Doe-Lee Washington State network of some 14 stations. These will be heard in Seattle, Tacoma, Spokane, Yakima, Bellingham, and Everett.

Philadelphia plans to hold its International Youth Day Rally at the Musical Fund Hall at 819 Locust St. on Friday, Sept. 19. Twenty-five thousand copies of a printed leaflet to the youth of Philadelphia are being distributed, in addition to special leaflets addressed to the Negro youth and to industrial workers, as well as to national groups.

In the nation's capital, Washington, a large meeting is slated for Sept. 9. And from Baltimore comes news of street corner meetings and a radio broadcast. Howard Johnson will make the radio speech. Cleveland, Ohio, will celebrate International Youth Day with the second in its series of radio broadcasts featuring YCL speakers.

## Mrs. Winant Returning

LONDON, Aug. 29 (UP).—Mrs.

John G. Winant, wife of the American Ambassador to England, left for the United States by airplane today for a short visit. She will return via Lisbon.

## Murray Asks Mayor Aid on TWU Pay Fight

'Astounded' At Transit Board's Rejection of Retroactive Pay

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the date following expiration of wage contracts for workers engaged on the transit lines.

"I am astounded that such a position has been taken, which is contrary to accepted practices in private industry and it persisted in will destroy confidence in wage negotiations and impair ability of anyone to have workers continue as pending conclusion of negotiations."

## URGES MAYOR ACT

"This principle has been agreed to and recommended by the Defense Mediation Board and accepted by industry in the main throughout the country. In the interests of fair play and maintenance of this principle I request that you use your good offices to bring about the recognition of this just claim for retroactive wage increases payment. I cannot believe that you subscribe to the position taken by the Board of Transportation."

Earlier in the day 2,000 union members working on the night shifts met at Manhattan Center, 34th St. and Eighth Ave. After listening to union officers the meeting adopted a resolution similar to one carried the previous night by the day workers pledging a continued campaign for the retroactive pay increases and for further raises.

The Board of Transportation held a routine session at its offices and issued notification to the personnel about the new schedules.

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### A Timely Call From Gary Labor

The resolution adopted by the Lake County (Gary, Indiana) Industrial Union Council, CIO, recommending the use of the American navy and air force to convoy war materials to Britain, China and the Soviet Union, is a timely one.

It is apparent that these workers have refused to fall for the deceptive and treacherous propaganda of the appeasers. They understand that there can be no hesitation in the struggle against Hitler. They seem to recognize too that the best way to defeat the appeasers is to meet the issue boldly, not to retreat but to press forward still more vigorously.

### More Defense Production Is Needed

With increased arms production as the goal, President Roosevelt has reshuffled his defense chiefs into a seven-man board with Vice President Wallace as its head.

That defense production must be greatly increased is apparent from the latest reports on aviation and tank manufacture. The present level of arms production is not at all on the scale required to crush Hitlerism. The Washington correspondent of the New York Times reveals that "at present no heavy tanks are in production."

This is startling. American productive capacity could outstrip the Nazi war machine in quick order; yet for some reason the swift creation of tanks is lagging while the menace to national security grows greater not less. The President's move toward stepping up production is therefore in the right direction.

Labor has been considering defense production problems for some time. In such proposals as the Murray Plan to increase production in the auto, aluminum, and aviation industries, we have seen an example of the constructive contributions Labor can make.

It is a defect of President Roosevelt's appointments that Labor is insufficiently represented in the production planning. Especially in removing the obstacles of monopoly privileges, profiteering and appeasement sabotage can Labor make signal contributions to raising production levels.

In fact, we would say that full Labor representation is an essential of the urgently needed advances on the production front. It takes bombers, bullets and tanks to crush Hitler. Let's build them at once.

### Transit Wage Gains By a Strong Union

Wage gains of more than \$5,000,000 for New York's transit workers arise from one cause. That is the existence of a strong union in the transportation system of the Greater City.

Were the Transport Workers Union not so well entrenched in the ranks of the workers, there would have been no such wage rise at the present time. The entire history of transit labor relations testifies to this fact, and the entire anti-labor record of the Board of Transportation bears it out.

To the Transport Workers Union, then, and to its membership and officers can go congratulations for this latest of their many achievements. The wage rises will not only benefit the men who run the subways but should be reflected in better conditions and higher wage rates for the community in general.

It is additional good news to learn that Mayor LaGuardia has acceded to the union's viewpoint on two other matters. One involved the additional wage rises of \$250,000 to work out inequalities. The other was the appointment of the impartial chairman, for the adjustment of grievances.

Both of these acts cast a justified reflection upon the will and ability of the present Board of Transportation to deal justly with the workers, in their own and the city's interests.

The board has also compounded its previous anti-labor attitude by ignoring or attempting to cancel out the retroactive provisions which would compensate any wage award. This is a matter which still remains

to be settled satisfactorily, and which the City of New York can well afford to settle in the only correct way—namely, by making the new wage rates effective as of July 1.

If the coal operators could be made to agree to such a just proposal, then the wealthy City of New York can come to such an understanding.

The board has further sought to evade the well-established fact that the Transport Workers Union is the sole legitimate collective bargaining agency for the subway workers. The right of the TWU to represent all the workers has been attested to in election after election. The peanut politics being played by the board in this respect is not in the public interest.

What would be in the public interest would be a complete shake-up in the Board of Transportation, with a representative of the union workers as a member of that body. Lack of real labor representation on the board is one of its chief weaknesses. It is one that should be quickly remedied.

### Dnieperstroy— Signal to the World

In the destruction by the Soviet people of their own Dnieperstroy dam, the whole world can see an iron determination to fight on until Hitler is completely annihilated.

Dnieperstroy was beloved by the entire Soviet people. It was the first Socialist giant of the first Five Year Plan and the power which it generated, helped make possible the building up of a marvelous industrialized country in a few brief years. Thousands upon thousands of workers, men and women, toiled day and night, winter and summer, to finish Dnieperstroy ahead of schedule.

Now, when they destroy their child in order to thwart the Nazi bandits, it shows that they will prove unrelenting in their struggle against Hitler and that they have confidence that the time will come when they will re-build their Dnieperstroy on a firmer foundation than ever.

The unbreakable will shown by the Soviet people should inspire us here in America to join in the fight against the common foe with the same tenacity and self-sacrificing determination.

### Using His Religious Office for Subversion

There is a lot being published these days about "morale" in the army camps—especially in those appeasement newspapers which work day in and day out to undermine the morale of the soldiers.

In one such article in the Daily News, a revealing and shocking incident is disclosed. The News reports with complete approval of the subversive activities of a priest, Father Joseph Egan, who was attached until recently to the 165th Infantry, the Fighting Irish of New York City. Egan, according to the News, used Sunday morning religious services in the army to preach against aid to Britain.

Since aid to Britain and the Soviet Union is the established policy of the United States and is vital to the safety of the country, it is apparent that Father Egan was using his religious office for the purpose of undermining the morale of the army.

But Egan is not only jeopardizing his own country. He is also betraying the millions of Catholics of Europe whose organizations, churches and schools have been wantonly pillaged by Hitler. Surely, these Catholics of Europe would not look kindly upon the treacherous activities of Father Egan, the Daily News and the rest of the appeaser crowd in the United States.

### To Inform and Stir America

Tomorrow another Sunday Worker will roll off the presses. It will be alive with items and articles of interest to the American people.

A new organization for defense production has been set up in Washington. Is it likely to succeed and what are the chief problems with which it is confronted? Tomorrow's paper will deal with this subject, of so much concern to all America.

What are the trade unionists and the farmers of the country thinking and doing? What is occurring on the far-flung battlefronts and within the occupied countries, in the world struggle against Hitler? From all sections of the country and from all parts of the world will come special dispatches which can inform and stir the American people.

Our greatest obligation, and that of all our friends, is to get this paper to the people. We appeal again to the Browder Brigades, who have so splendidly responded to the possibilities of selling the Sunday Worker, to go to the people with this new issue. This is a job of informing and moving America; it is to be hoped that larger numbers than ever will see that it is carried through.

## WEAKNESS IN THE REAR



## Hitler Actively Preparing to Grab American Bases in Atlantic-- Pravda

(By Wireless to Inter-Continental News)

MOSCOW, Aug. 28. — Plans of Hitler Germany to take over the approaches to the American continent have already reached the stage of active preparation, Pravda, official organ of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, said today. The first move, the article stated, will be the occupation of Spain, and preparations are being made to follow this with an attack on Portugal.

The article, entitled "Hitler's Plans in the Atlantic," reads in part:

"Hitler is preparing a new military adventure with Atlantic bases as its objective. These bases stretch in a long line from north to south: beginning with the Spanish ports of Efferol and Vigo, the line continues to the Portuguese ports of Oporto and Lisbon, followed by Gibraltar, which is linked in turn to a chain of Spanish and Portuguese islands in the Atlantic—the Azores, Madeira, Canary and Cape Verde.

"Lastly, there are the French ports in Northwest Africa, of which Casablanca and Dakar are of prime importance. These ports afford a base for menacing British-United States communications, and the

American continent, particularly South America.

"Hitler Germany is bent on gaining control of these approaches to America and preparations for this are well under way. Germany's first and most important preparatory move is the actual occupation of Spain, and preparations are also afoot for an attack on Portugal.

"A network of airfields, fortifications and barracks are being erected along the Spanish-Portuguese frontier and the Spanish army is being lined up on the Portuguese border. On the Portuguese side the frontier is not fortified. The Spanish port of Vigo, which is only 20 miles away from the Portuguese port Oporto, is now Gestapo headquarters in Spain.

"Intensive German preparations are afoot on Spanish territory for an attack on Gibraltar. Roads leading to the fortress are being repaired. German planes are stationed on numerous airfields built in southern Spain. A miniature Maginot Line has been built, facing Gibraltar Strait in Spanish Morocco. The whole Moroccan coast, from Ceuta to Tangiers, has been fortified, so as to enable it to keep the western section of Gibraltar Strait under fire and to cut off Gibraltar from Britain.

"Tangiers has become the center of German intrigues and radio propaganda in Northwest Africa. All leaves have been cancelled for the Spanish forces in Morocco.

"The French ports constitute the next link in the Atlantic chain. Germany exerts every pressure on the Vichy government to obtain its consent for the establishment of German naval bases in the French African ports of Algiers, Casablanca and Dakar. Preparatory work in this direction has been carried through. Dakar is being fortified under the supervision of German engineers. Two hundred German planes are concentrated at a German-built airfield near the town. German experts have set up coastal batteries at Dakar and near Dakar is a special German submarine base. Sixteen German naval bases extend from Dakar to Casablanca.

"Certain reports claim that Germany and Spain have already presented a joint ultimatum to Portugal, demanding that the Azores be placed at Germany's disposal. "The United States, too, is well aware of the German menace in the Atlantic. The State Department is negotiating with a number of European and South American countries regarding joint action to repel Germany in the Atlantic."

## Axis Camps Growl at Each Other Over 'New Order' Spoils, Lozovsky Says

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to Rome and the Croatians woke up one fine morning to find that they now had a king, who, if not by the grace of God, then by the grace of Mussolini and his Croatian flunkie Pavelich, would rule over them.

"It all looked to be smooth sailing. Pavelich did as he was told, the Italians plundered the country in strict accordance with the principles of the 'New Order'—and then there was a regular family scandal among these gangsters. The Italians chose a time when the Germans had their hands full at the Eastern front in order finally to annex those regions at which they had cast-gleam covetous glances during the war of 1914-1918.

"German reaction to these events is highly characteristic," Lozovsky commented. "The correspondent of the Anatolian News Agency in Berlin made inquiries at the German Foreign Ministry and he was told that 'at present negotiations are on foot between Italy and Montenegro, on the one hand, and Croatia on the other, for the purpose of establishing a more precise frontier. Italian troops have never fully withdrawn from his country and the increase of the Italian Garrison is an internal police measure.'

"A fine way," Lozovsky remarked, "of establishing a precise frontier, when Italian troops have seized by force a good half of Dalmatia."

"This seemingly neutral position of the German Foreign Office is a very suspicious game," he continued. "In actual fact the Germans don't want to see the complete and unchallenged domination of Italians in Croatia and particularly in Dalmatia. They hope to settle matters after victory has been secured."

"This first and last victory of Mussolini is not of intrinsic interest. It is of interest merely because it presages similar temporary victories of Rumanians over Hungarians, Hungarians over Slovaks and Germans over all their other 'Allies.'

"The seizure of the whole of Dalmatia by Italian troops is a further confirmation of the profound contradictions within the Hitler camp. These are contradictions, which the Nazis find it hard to restrain, and they flare up and come to the surface every now and again. Indeed, the day is not far off when a general 'free-for-all' will begin among these 'friends' and 'Allies.'" Lozovsky concluded. "They are united only by their common crimes and lust for raw gains. That day will come all the quicker, the sooner the prime organizer and ring leader of the fascist free-booters, Hitler,

will receive what he deserves for his crimes from the U.S.S.R., Great Britain and all freedom-loving nations the world over."

Replying to a question by this correspondent, Lozovsky said, "The German invaders have not achieved their goal—to seize the harvest in the occupied territories of the Ukraine. Harvester combines, tractors and motor trucks were evacuated in good time, or destroyed by the collective farmers, and secondly, that part of the harvest which was gathered in by collective farmers for their own consumption had been concealed and didn't fall into German hands."

Lozovsky said that the Dnieper electric power plant and dam, one of the first projects of the Soviet Union's industrialization program, have been blown up, so that they should not fall into German hands. "Thus the Soviet government is acting in accordance with the unanimous will of all Soviet citizens not to allow any valuable construction to fall into the hands of the fascist aggressor."

Lozovsky refuted reports of German propaganda to the effect that the Germans had cut the Moscow-Leningrad railway line. Repeated attempts to cut railway communication between Moscow and Leningrad have been repelled by Soviet troops, he said.

## Point of Order

By ALAN MAX

### READERS' DAY

#### HITLER MAKES A SPEECH

"Hell Hitler! . . . Men and women of the Third Reich, already we have finished mutual no-trade agreements with 18 countries, and, if things continue as they are going, we will have more. . . . If you will think back, you will remember that when I first started out, everybody laughed, but you know that nobody here laughs any more. . . . Seven years ago, what did we have? Hunger, poverty, sickness. Today we have nothing. . . . Of course, lately there has been a slight shortage, due to the fact that there has been a slight shortage. . . . Already our chemists are on the job. They are making a bread out of cardboard which is much superior to the bread made from wood. . . . I have other good news. Last week the workers were given a 15 per cent wage cut. This week we are able to make the cut twice as big. Hell Hitler!" P. H.

In their broadcast the other night, Pearson and Allen asked their listeners to send in slogans that might become "watchwords of democracy." One of the best watchwords I have heard in a long time is "Let Freedom Ring for Earl Browder."

BILL BEECHAM.

#### THE COMMUNIST MAID

(With the usual apologies to the Almanac Singers)  
There once was a Communist Maid who never was dismayed  
By Dies and spies and similar guys  
Or company stoops who tell big lies.  
When someone shouted "Red," she only nodded her head;  
She worked right on from dawn to dawn,  
And these are the words she said:

Chorus:

"Oh, you can't scare me, I'm sticking to the party,  
The Communist Party, the workers' party;  
No, you can't scare me, I'm sticking to the party,  
The Communist Party, till the day I die."

Now the story goes around that Hitler's "Moscow bound."

The Reds "on the run," the Nazis "won."  
And the workers hopes are "all undone."  
They say that the union's bad, that the company's "always glad"

To share, and care, and treat men fair,  
But the Maid answered right back:

Chorus:

"Oh, you can't fool me, I read the Worker,  
The Daily Worker, the Sunday Worker;  
No, you can't fool me, I am no shirker,  
I'll read the Worker, till the day I die."

WEST VIRGINIA.

A. P. writes that contributors to Point of Order may be interested to hear that a "progressive, topical review" now in preparation, needs additional skills, lyrics, ideas. He urges those interested to communicate with C. Brismar, 2133 Daily Avenue, Bronx, New York City.

The greatest and noblest of them all,  
Inspires the defenses, my lad,  
The Nazis will get the shock of their lives,  
For Lenin stands guard in Leningrad.

H. GOLDSTEIN.

## Letters From Our Readers

### Urges Union Local Campaign for Freedom of Earl Browder

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Below is a letter which I sent to my union, the Social Service Employees' Union:

"As a member in good standing of the SEU, and one who is sincerely working toward the maintenance and strengthening of our position, I would suggest that the local conduct a campaign to free Earl Browder.

"Earl Browder, we all know, was imprisoned for being the most active leader of a progressive and anti-fascist movement, which power was being felt too keenly by our opposing Administration.

"I feel, therefore, that should this incident go uncontested, the next step would be to imprison our own most potent union leaders.

"May I therefore urge that this question be opened on the floor of the union for discussion and action." E. S.

### World Grab—Hitler Dream

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Japan's Tanaka Plan to swallow up countries and continents was regarded as fantastic as is Hitler's to take over the world. But this is imperialism and monopoly. And the Nazis don't want to deal with a world market—they want to monopolize it by owning the world, grabbing it by force. M. W.

### "His Plans Shall Come to Naught"

Philadelphia, Pa.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The Nazi beast has wantonily and treacherously attacked the fatherland of the working class. In the Soviet Union Hitler saw the negation of his contemptible theory of Nordic supremacy. The beast was challenged by the noblest achievements of the human race. He saw men of many nationalities and races living and working together to promote the common weal. This tyrant was untamed, so his insane and murderous brain concocted the plan to attack the land of peace and progress. His plans shall come to naught. N. C. C.

### For Effective Bulwark Against Fascism— Free Browder and Darcy!

Bronx, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Enclosed please find copy of a letter I have sent to President Roosevelt relative to the release of Earl Browder and Sam Adams Darcy.

"I want to raise my voice in suggesting how we may best help in the defeat of fascism.

"The Soviet Union has released all Polish prisoners in the realization that these Poles will now form an excellent bulwark against Hitler.

"Isn't this a wonderful hint for us? Can we not release from jail Earl Browder and Sam Adams Darcy who will be a most effective bulwark against Hitler here in America?" S. B.



## CHANGE THE WORLD

Two Dissenting Votes

On Quincy Howe,

The Radio Clairvoyant

By MIKE GOLD

CERTAIN remarks in this column regarding Quincy Howe, the WQXR commentator, brought two dissenting votes from the readers.

One radio fan quoted several friendly comments on the Soviet Union recently uttered by Howe; and the other correspondent, a member of the Book and Magazine Guild, of which Howe is also a member, stated that Howe's vote in that union was generally progressive.

All of which is probably true, but it does not alter the fact that for years Quincy Howe conducted a typical Trotskyite campaign against the Soviet Union. Anyone who consistently listened to him knows this. Only a few weeks ago he still quoted Ben Stolberg in the manner of one quoting the Bible. Stolberg seems to be Howe's political guide, or something. Can anybody who associates with this Saturday Evening Post stool-pigeon and Dies Committee finger-man, ever get anywhere near the truth?

Just before Hitler invaded the Soviet Union, Quincy Howe reached about the lowest depths of his Stolbergism. Night after night Howe tortured the ether with confused fantasies, prophecies, forecasts—a crazy patchwork of the usual anti-Soviet scandal and libel, the sum total being that Stalin was about to order the Red Army to fight for Hitler against England and America.

There was a definite smacking of the lips as Howe peddled this junk. He took a Stolbergian, Valtinian, malicious joy in spreading this crap. He has become clearer and straighter since the war demonstrated that Hitler was never so sure that Stalin was his "ally" as were all these racketeering Krivitskys and Valtins.

Whoever really wants to defeat Hitler today cannot but help rooting for the Soviet Union. Quincy Howe, though he still wobbles and has fainting spells of Harvard indifference and Beacon Hill neutrality, now seems to have become fairly loyal to the anti-Hitler cause.

Which raises the same old question—what etiquette does one adopt to all these new allies in the war on Hitler?

My own idea is that we must not waste any time in petty quarrels in the face of the common enemy. We must learn to work loyally with anyone who will work as loyally in the war to smash Hitler and Hitlerism.

But we must never forget that when the time comes to build a new socialist order, such people will no longer be allies, but will revert to the enemy camp of the Martin Dies Committees and the Saturday Evening Post. In other words, an alliance, a political bloc, a united front, is always made up of diverse elements, faced with a great common danger in which such differences are temporarily unimportant. A Communist must know how to serve in such a united front without ever losing his own ideals, the dream of a classless, warless world. Certainly, Quincy Howe and Ben Stolberg can never be counted on to bring socialism.

The column commenting on the radio commentators stirred up other correspondents. Every second American is a radio fan, and the Daily Worker readers prove up in about the same ratio as the general population. So it was not surprising that many letters were received requesting that the Daily Worker and the progressive and labor movement become radio-conscious, and establish people's radio hours on some of the New York stations.

One reader, a "German-Jewish-American," even sent thirty dollars for that purpose, which is hereby acknowledged.

If we cannot get our own time on the radio, let us at least help chase the phonies, the fascists, and the Hitler stooges off the air. Let us guard the democratic purity of this most important of all mediums for mass education.

Lowell Thomas, Boske Carter and Wythe Williams are three commentators who are definitely aligned with the Lindbergh-Wheeler gang of appeasers and who try to help Hitler by preventing America from joining with the enemies of Hitler and Hitlerism.

Lowell Thomas has the widest following of any commentator. He has always been a total reactionary, sold out to the Herbert Hoover brand of Tory Republicanism. Thomas always can be relied upon to color the news against a group of strikers or any liberal and progressive movement. Now he is coloring the news for the appeasers.

Whenever Thomas slips one of his poison pills into the news he is supposed to relate objectively. Write his sponsors and tell them what you think of such propaganda. They won't like it, if thousands of such letters roll in. It hits at their pocketbook nerve, and they will put a damper on this propagandist. As an American citizen, Thomas has a right to his own opinions. He can appease Hitler all he wants to, and work for a Petain America. But let it be at his own expense, or at the expense of the America First (after Hitler) Committee. Now he is taking money under false pretenses.

American Artists  
Featured in  
Soviet Exhibit

(By Wireless to Inter-Continental News)

MOSCOW, Aug. 29.—An exhibition of anti-fascist cartoons will open in the Moscow Museum of Modern Western Art on Aug. 31. It will contain cartoons by Soviet and foreign artists, among them Bill Gropper, John Hartfield, Fred Ellis, Kathie Kollwitz, and the well known Soviet cartoonist, Kruminsky.

Noteworthy among the exhibits here are Gropper's "Hitler Speaks," Fred Ellis' "Hitler Acts" and Hartfield's satirical photomontage.

Much space is devoted to drawings on the united front struggle against fascism. Among these mention should be made of the vivid drawings by Kathie Kollwitz and Ellis.

Anti-Fascist posters will also be displayed.

'Volga-Volga' Has  
Chicago Premiere

CHICAGO, Aug. 28.—Acclaimed by New York critics as a musical comedy that rivals the best of Hollywood, "Volga-Volga," starring young and blond Lubov Orlova, will open for its Chicago premiere at the World Playhouse, 410 South Michigan Avenue, this Saturday.

The film which derives its humor and music from the competition of two groups for the honor of representing their village in a national music festival, was written and directed by Gregory Alexandrov, Soviet humorist. He has already won many honors for his musical productions, and this time he has the expert assistance of Isaac Dunayevsky, famous Soviet and internationally known composer.

As a second feature, the World Playhouse will show on the same program, the latest newsreel of actual fighting from the Nazi-Soviet front in the present war. This is the first exclusive film of the war on the Eastern Front.

## Film Notes

The World Theatre has added to its program a vital documentary film, "Nazis in South America," produced by Julien Bryan, a film record of Nazi infiltration and organizational activities in Brazil and Argentina.

Also added to this program, along with the feature film, "Ku Kan," is the American Premiere of the first of a series of concert films recently produced with outstanding artists in the musical world. The first subject, which the World Theatre will show, is by Vronsky and Babin, famous duo-pianists, in a program comprising Brahms' "Waltz in A-Flat," Arensky's "Valse" and Rimsky Korsakoff's "Flight of the Bumble-Bee."

The Polish film "Pajak" ("The Spider") is now showing at the Miami Playhouse, 6th Avenue, near 47th Street. Special attraction: First New York Showing, "Poland Forever."

"Volga-Volga"  
Coming to Detroit

DETROIT.—"Volga-Volga," a new Soviet musical comedy featuring Lubov Orlova and Igor Ilinaky will be shown at the Cinema Theatre, 58 E. Columbia St., Detroit, Mich., beginning September 3.

On the same program: "Red Army" and "Folk Dances."

Harlem's Apollo  
Reopens

Harlem's 125th Street Apollo Theatre reopens on Friday. The Four Ink Spots will be headlined in the opening revue, The Sunset Royal Orchestra, Ralph Brown, John Mason, Sandy Burns, Froshine Stewart, Eddie Jack and Betty, the six Dancing Boys and Whitey's Lindy Hoppers will be included in the revue cast.

"One Big Mistake," a short featuring "Pigmeat," will be included on the bill.

## 'I REMEMBER BOBRUISK' . . .

The German Columns Are Back—  
But the Red Army Will ReturnA True Narrative  
About an Earlier  
War—and Aftermath

By William Richards

Bobruisk. It has been in the news of late, so you may have heard of this town on the Berezina river, not far from the old Soviet-Polish frontier. But I remember Bobruisk well. My first memory of it is of grey columns of German soldiers marching in dull, rhythmic tread through the enveloping shade of a wistfully long autumn twilight. I first arrived in Bobruisk on the very day the German army evacuated back in 1918. Then there came the Red Army. Later came the Polish army, again to be replaced by the Red Army. And for more than 20 years, the red flag of the hammer and sickle flew over Bobruisk. Now, the Germans are back again, but I who have seen them come and go, know that the Red Army will return and then it will stay as long as it is necessary to have a Red Army guarding the frontier.

In Bobruisk, I lived at the house of my grandfather. He was a petty Jewish tradesman who dealt in tailors, I believe. My grandfather suffered from the worst social affliction of petty trade. He was a miser. It was a pitiful failing, for he really had very little to hoard and he compensated for the smallness of his wealth by the intensity with which he guarded it. Naturally, he was not very well disposed toward the Soviet power in those early days of the revolution.

The Red Troops  
Arrive

The Red troops came into town on the heels of the German evacuation. What a contrast! The German Army, uniformed and well trained, had marched out with the inexorable air that typifies the well organized and disciplined military machine. The Soviet soldiers, who still were being fashioned into an army, straggled in. Some were actually barefooted. They wore a motley collection of uniforms and carried a great diversity of rifles. Their only visible asset was spirit.

On the evening of their arrival, grandfather boiled all the doors, and we sat about the table, our immense shadows grotesquely cowering on the walls with the spasmodic movements of puppets to the flickering light of a single candle. In the streets, there was noise. The soldiers, it seems, had scattered to seek food from the people of the town, and one could hear them moving in groups knocking on the doors of the townfolk. We knew that soon they would come to our house. My grandfather was frightened, and his uneasiness was transmitted to all of us, to his wife, my four aunts and me. What little food there was in the house had been hidden, and only a piece of herring and a crust of bread was in sight.

'Strangers,'  
for a Time

There was a knocking at the door and as no one answered, it became louder and more insistent. Finally, a voice exploded, "Open the door or we'll batter it down!"

To emphasize the point, the unseen voice knocked on the door with a rifle butt, instead of the knuckles which had been used before.

My grandmother opened the door, and the soldiers walked in politely, subdued by the atmosphere, and in quiet tones asked whether there was any food to spare. My grandfather pointed to the herring and bread, and the soldiers, without looking any further, departed.

While the Red Army was in town,



GETTING THE NEWS—Soviet soldiers at the front listen to the news of the latest fronts as a Red Army man reads a newspaper to his comrades.

two soldiers were billeted at our house. They were jolly, good-natured fellows, very friendly. But their friendly overtures were rebuffed by my grandfather who distrusted them not only as soldiers, but also as gentiles and Bolsheviks. I, only five then, was the sole receptive friend in the family barrier.

Fateback  
and Hunger

My friendship with the soldiers was highlighted by a prank which the soldiers received a great deal. The soldiers consisted chiefly of black bread and fateback, Jewish religious custom prohibits the eating of pig meat. I was not religious, and constant hunger easily brushed aside what scruples I might have had about eating pig. The soldiers, therefore, delighted in taking me to their room and there feeding me fateback. I shared their delight at this conspiracy behind my grandfather's back. I was hungry. I don't know how grandfather discovered my sin, but I do remember how embittered I was at his rage.

This period in Soviet history was known as War Communism. One of its features was the prohibition of all private trade. For grandfather, a petty tradesman unit for another work, and burdened with four daughters and a grandson, this was a calamity. He sighed for the old days when business was business. When Poland declared war against Soviet Russia he looked upon the Polish Army as deliverers who would bring back the glories of private trade. If grandfather hoped for a Polish occupation of Bobruisk, his wish was soon realized. The Polish Army marched into Bobruisk, bringing with it the glories of private trade and some other virtues of the civilization which was then being defended against the "Bolshevik hordes." Unfortunately for grandfather, he enjoyed some of these other "virtues" before he profited from the glories of private trade.

Familiar  
'Virtues'

On the day after the Polish Army's arrival, grandfather was walking along the street when a band of six mounted soldiers came galloping from the opposite direction. As the horsemen reached grandfather, some of them lashed him with their whips. They then dismounted, and lifted his prostrate form from the ground by his beard. Slowly, methodically, they proceeded to tear his long beard out of his chin, roots and all. To top off this exploit they gave him a few more lashes, and rode off, leaving his bleeding body, face down, lying in the street. The townfolk soon learned that this beard-pulling was a popular pastime for the Polish troops, and the

men, it was said, all developed "toothaches"—they wore heavy bandages about their faces as protection for their beards, if they still had them, or to conceal the raw flesh, if the beards had been uprooted.

Grandfather spent some three weeks in bed, groaning and suffering, meditating upon the glories of private trade.

Two Polish soldiers were quartered at the house and they terrified the entire family. Being amply supplied with ammunition by the French and British and Americans, they did not need to load their bullets, and the favorite sport of the two soldiers at our house was shooting crows off the back fence. My grandfather's nerves were in pretty bad shape by then, and each retort of the rifle frightened him near to death.

Mice, a Capitalist  
Heritage

The Polish troops were later driven out by the Red Army, but there was a strange aftermath. While the Poles were in Bobruisk, they used one room in our house

as a storeroom for flour. We did not know it at the time, but the presence of flour had attracted the attention of what must have been every house in the town. While flour was plentiful, the mice were well fed and they kept out of sight. But when the Poles left and took their flour, the mice were driven to desperation by hunger. Never since have I seen mice so bold. They crept out in the middle of the floor, they jumped from the rafters above in broad daylight, unafraid of the people present. If you stood in the middle of the room, they crawled right up to your feet, sniffing hungrily at them. Luckily, they were small house mice and not rats, or they would have devoured us.

That was our heritage of capitalism. Mice, hundreds of them, mice who had thrived with the invading Polish Army, who had seemed to be among the chief beneficiaries of capitalism's last stand in Bobruisk. The mice finally evacuated. They were the last capitalist army to invade grandfather's home until the Nazis came in 1941. But the Nazis won't stay long. The people of Bobruisk don't want capitalism.

Summer Symphony Program  
From WJZ at 9:30 P. M.

The Summer Symphony features Schubert's "Symphony No. 2" over WJZ at 9:30 P. M. . . . WQXR plays the music of Prokofiev at 1 P. M. . . . "Trial by Jury" heard over WQXR at 1 P. M.

8:00-WQXR—News Roundup  
WJZ—European News  
WQXR—Trans-Radio News  
WQXR—World Today  
8:15-WQXR—Music of Today  
WQXR—Kitchin Hints  
8:45-WQXR—Woman's Page of the Air  
WQXR—Deep River Boys  
8:55-WQXR—Around New York with Hal Harniss  
9:00-WQXR—Breakfast Club  
WQXR—Press News  
WQXR—Masterwork Hour  
WQXR—Request Program  
9:15-WQXR—Market Basket  
WQXR—Draft Information  
WQXR—Melodic Moments  
9:30-WQXR—Food Forum  
WQXR—Hillbilly Ballads  
WQXR—Folk Songs  
9:45-WQXR—From London: BBC News  
10:00-WQXR—News  
WQXR—Jazz Program  
WQXR—Burr Tree Coffee Club  
WQXR—Building Democracy  
10:15-WQXR—Chamber Music  
10:30-WQXR—Galen Concert  
WQXR—America the Free-Chorus  
WQXR—Four Polka Dots  
WQXR—String Ensemble  
10:45-WQXR—Spirituals  
11:00-WQXR—Words and Music  
WQXR—Trans-Radio News  
WQXR—The Band Played On  
WQXR—News: Lionel Stander  
WQXR—Memories of a Conspirator  
11:15-WQXR—Dr. Knickerbocker Suggests  
11:30-WQXR—Songs of Melody  
WQXR—Kendallville Theater—Rosemary  
WQXR—Our Barbers' Program  
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WQXR—Piano Masterpieces  
11:45-WQXR—"Yes and Your Health"  
12:00-WQXR—Sunday Morning  
WQXR—Consumers' Time  
WQXR—Reflections in Rhythms  
WQXR—Great Masters  
WQXR—Lunchtime Concert  
12:30-WQXR—Composers Hour  
WQXR—Old Red House Hour  
WQXR—Stars Over Hollywood  
12:45-WQXR—The Characters—Vocal Quartet  
1:00-WQXR—News  
WQXR—Institute of Human Relations  
WQXR—Let's Pretend—Dramatizations  
WQXR—Sunset Harmonies  
WQXR—Composers' Hour—Prokofiev  
WQXR—Verdi's "Rigoletto"  
2:00-WQXR—Campus Capers  
WQXR—Model Airplane and Glider Race  
WQXR—Excerpts from Opera  
2:30-WQXR—Bright Idea Club  
2:45-WQXR—Midday Melodies  
WQXR—Modern Design Music  
WQXR—Nature Sketches  
WQXR—Indiana Indigo—Variety  
WQXR—Calling Pan-America—From Brazil  
WQXR—Tennis Matches  
3:15-WQXR—Golden Treasury of Song  
3:30-WQXR—Quintet  
WQXR—Music of the Americas  
WQXR—Cellist and Pianist  
4:00-WQXR—Old Red House Hour  
WQXR—Club Matinee  
WQXR—Negro Melody Singer  
WQXR—Symphonic Matinee  
4:15-WQXR—Hour of Symphonic Music  
4:30-WQXR—Opening of Recreational Playground  
5:00-WQXR—News  
WQXR—The World is Yours—Dramatic Program  
WQXR—Police Band  
WQXR—Dance Winkers, Children's Stories  
WQXR—Latin American Rhythms  
5:15-WQXR—Symphonic Matinee  
5:30-WQXR—Harvey Shapiro, Cellist  
WQXR—Sports  
WQXR—Great Masters  
5:45-WQXR—Concert Orchestra  
6:00-WQXR—News  
WQXR—Three Sons Trio  
WQXR—Concert Musicale  
WQXR—Children's Program  
WQXR—Trans News  
WQXR—Music to Remember  
6:15-WQXR—Sports  
6:30-WQXR—Art of Living

WJZ—From Ankara, Turkey  
WQXR—Trans-Radio News  
WQXR—National Defense Program  
WQXR—Dinner Concert  
6:45-WQXR—Sports  
WQXR—Tango Time  
WQXR—World Today WQXR—News  
WQXR—Defense for America  
WQXR—Message of Israel  
WQXR—Sports  
WQXR—People's Platform  
WQXR—Masterwork Hour  
WQXR—Gilbert and Sullivan  
WQXR—"The Yeomen of the Guard," Act 3 Concluded; "Trial by Jury"  
7:30-WQXR—Hollywood Interviews  
WQXR—Concert Orchestra  
WQXR—Treasury of Music  
7:45-WQXR—News Commentator  
WQXR—News  
WQXR—Inside of Sports  
8:00-WQXR—Life of the Party—Dance Music  
WQXR—Latitude Zero—Drama  
WQXR—Tropical Serenade  
WQXR—Guy Lombardo's Orchestra  
WQXR—Avantgarde of Literature  
WQXR—Symphony Hall—Brahms' Symphony No. 1  
8:30-WQXR—Truth or Consequences  
WQXR—Bishop and the Gargoyles—Mystery  
WQXR—News Commentator  
WQXR—City Desk  
8:45-WQXR—Red Barber—Sports  
8:50-WQXR—Summer Symphony  
WQXR—Morton Gould's Orchestra  
9:00-WQXR—Accents on Music  
9:15-WQXR—News  
WQXR—Grant Park Concert  
WQXR—Chicagoaland Concert  
WQXR—Music Under the Stars  
10:15-WQXR—Public Affairs—Dr. R. G. Sprunt, President of the University of California, Speaking for the Fight for Freedom Committee  
10:30-WQXR—News  
WQXR—Kalash Presents  
WQXR—Sweet and Rhythmic  
WQXR—News  
10:45-WQXR—Sports Roundup  
WQXR—News  
11:00-WQXR—Just Music  
WQXR—News

Barbusse Was Leader  
In Fight on Fascism

Today is the sixth anniversary of the death of Henri Barbusse. Barbusse, who died in Moscow on August 30, 1935, was not only a great writer with millions of readers in every country of the world, but a leader of the international anti-fascist movement.

Both his literary and political activities constituted one indivisible whole, completely dedicated to the fight for the liberation of the toiling masses of the world.

A soldier in the trenches in the last war, he started the world in 1916 with the publication of "Le Feu" ("Under Fire"). The book created a sensation; it was awarded the Goncourt Prize as the best French novel of the year, was translated into more than 20 languages and achieved the largest circulation of any book of our time. At the time of the book's publication Lenin praised it highly and regarded it as a harbinger of the awakening of the European intelligentsia.

Founded Organization  
Of Ex-Servicemen

Together with the late Paul Vallant-Couturier, who at the time of his death was editor of L'Humanite, Barbusse founded the ARAC, the Republican Association of Former Combatants, of which he became president. Later he extended this movement to other countries and became head of the International Ex-Servicemen.

In 1919 Barbusse published another anti-imperialist novel, "Clarte" ("Light"). Adopting the title of this book, Barbusse founded the Clarte Movement, "a league of intellectual solidarity for the international cause." This movement included some of the world's leading intellectuals, including Anatole France, Thomas Hardy and H. G. Wells.

Despite ill-health, Barbusse continued to do an enormous amount of work. In addition to editing magazines and writing short stories, he published in 1924 a great two-volume novel, "Chains."

Visited USSR  
In 1927

In 1927, on the tenth anniversary of the Russian Revolution, he visited the Soviet Union. His experiences there were embodied in a book, "The Soviet Union and Peace," in which he paid eloquent tribute to the role of the Workers' Republic as the bulwark of world peace.

With imperialist war creeping steadily nearer and the danger of attack on the Soviet Union growing greater each day, Barbusse undertook the task of launching a worldwide movement against imperialism and fascism. Together with Heinrich Mann, Theodore Dreiser, Dr. Albert Einstein, Maxim Gorki, Havelock Ellis and others, he called together the World Congress Against War in Amsterdam, Holland, in August, 1932, which was followed the next month in Paris by the World Congress Against Fascism. The two movements were combined and Barbusse was elected chairman of the World Committee Against War and Fascism.

Addressed Many  
Meetings in U.S.

On Sept. 29, 1933, Barbusse arrived in the United States to attend the U.S. Congress Against War which launched the American

HENRI BARBUSSE  
Born, 1873; died, August 30, 1935

League Against War and Fascism. Workers and ex-servicemen welcomed him at the boat with an enthusiastic demonstration.

When immigration authorities tried to put him on the spot and asked him whether he was a Communist, he replied without hesitation:

"I am a member of the Communist Party and I am proud of it." In his speech at the opening of the Anti-War Congress, Barbusse said:

"The struggle against war and the struggle against fascism must go hand in hand. For fascism is war. We must build a united movement whose struggle is directed against both in one . . ."

"The weapons of fascism are brutality, violence and force."

"But there is a great factor on the horizon, a new and alive factor which is participating in the fight against this destroying evil—and that is the Soviet Union."

Following the Congress, Barbusse made a tour of various cities, speaking before enthusiastic crowds.

In July, 1935, he attended the Seventh World Congress of the Communist International. It was there that he took sick and died. His last book was entitled "Stalin," a biography of the great Soviet leader.

## MOTION PICTURES

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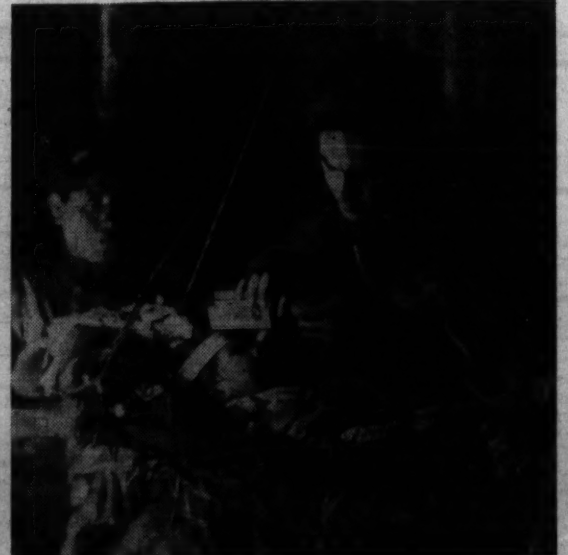
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## Censors Ban Steinbeck Film



A scene from "The Grapes of Wrath," written in Mexico by John Steinbeck, author of "The Grapes of Wrath." The New York state censors have banned the film as "indecent" because of childlike scenes, but the distributors say they will show it anyway, alleging that the censors have no jurisdiction over documentary films.



# DODGERS

## Wyatt's 18th Puts Brooks 1½ Games Ahead of Cards

Schumacher Routed in Five Run Fifth at Polo Grounds in Day's Only Game—Whit Fans 8, Finishes Strong

Whitlow Wyatt was too strong for the Giants in the pinches at the Polo Grounds yesterday, and set down a fighting gang of Terrymen, 5-4, to push the Dodgers a game and a half in front of the Cards.

Whitlow called upon his redoubtable fast ball in the clutch, which arrived frequently, and whiffed eight Terrymen in winning his 18th game of the year—an important one, indeed, for Brooklyn. Wyatt had to be good to triumph. The Giants played lively ball in the opener of their big four-game series with the Dodgers, and hacked away at the big right-hander after his mates had given him a 5-0 lead to work on in the fifth inning.

Wyatt's starting foe, in the only National League game yesterday was Prince Hal Schumacher, seeking win No. 11. Schumacher stayed with Whitlow for the first four innings, which were scoreless despite the fact that the Dodgers had men on base in the first, second and fourth. Ten men batted around in the fifth, however, before Whitlow relieved Schumacher and retired the side. As was the case Thursday against the Cards, loose play around the home plate sack by Joe Orenco harmed the Giants' cause.

Owen started the frame with a single. Wyatt then delivered one of his two bingles (past Orenco, who is not a major league second-sacker at present) and Dixie Walker drilled his second double to deep center for a run. Herman drove a single past Orenco, scoring a pair. Reiser singled, Camilli advanced the runners with an infield out, and Medwick chopped a bingle to center to drive in the final two Dodger runs. After Wittig and Adams took the mound for the Giants, the Dodgers could do little at the bat. The Polo Grounders meanwhile began to

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# DODGERS BEAT GIANTS 5-4

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## Grid Opening Spotlights Bear Power, Pro Jim-Crow

As Football's Yanks Beat All Stars

### 98,000 At Chicago Cheer As Luckman Leads Champs to Win Over Stars, Jackie Robinson Shows Class

The champion Chicago Bears seem intent on picking up right where they left off last fall. When the famous professional exponents of the "T" formation walloped a mighty team of college all-stars, 37-13, at Chicago Thursday night before a tremendous crowd of 28,200, they proved to one and all that they will again be the club to beat this season.

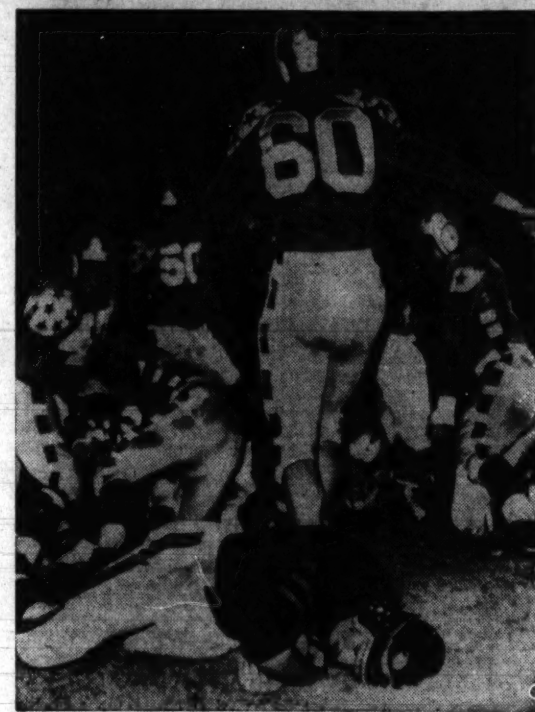
That wasn't the only thing the Bears proved. They showed that the "T" formation is still football's most formidable offensive weapon—even if it has to take to the air to win.

For three quarters in Soldiers Field the game was extremely close, with the Bears protecting a narrow 16-13 margin. Then Sid Luckman, crack Bears quarterback and master manipulator of the "T" maneuvers, took charge.

Sid's passing had already led to the first pair of Chicago goals. With the Bears rallying, he returned a kickoff 50 yards and then pitched his way to a third and fourth touchdown. After that the brilliant graduate of Erasmus High and Columbia University deservedly retired for the day, and Young Bussey took over his passing duties to score the final Bear goal.

Tommy Harmon and George Franck, most touted of the all-stars, played good ball, but a pair of so-called "lesser lights"—Boston College's Charley O'Rourke and UCLA's Jackie Robinson—stole their thunder. O'Rourke tossed a 40-yard pass to Jackie, who ran another six yards for a score. A 22-yard aerial from Harmon to Franck provided the other all-star touchdown.

Many of the tremendous crowd doubtless found it ironic that Robinson played a leading role in the contest, yet will not be permitted



Here's Clark of the Chicago Bears going over the All-Star line for a touchdown in the night exhibition game at Chicago, won by the pro champs 37-13. . . . And hey, what's going on here? The Dodgers haven't even clinched the pennant yet and we're running football pictures!

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## DODGERS

Durocher, Higbe and John McDonald sat in a box at the Polo Grounds for seven innings on Thursday, or until the Giants' cause was hopeless. . . . Then they left. Cards looked great in their 6 to 0 win. Pollet pitched a masterly game, worthy of Carl Hubbell at his best. . . . Orenco felled second base like a fat man with ten thumbs. . . . Melton moved so slowly to pick up a Johnny Hopp punt that he made two errors on the same play. The Giants rookies called up by Terry are hardly rookies. . . . Except for John Hubbell, Jack Kramer and Bob Fox of the Clinton, Iowa Three-L league team, they have all been up and have failed. Fox is said to be the best prospect but Giant fans have little to cheer about in regarding the other names.

## Soccer Americans Lineup Set

Erno Schwarzw, manager of the New York Americans soccer team, has picked the following players to face the Puentes Grandes eleven of Havana at Starlight Park next Monday in the opening game of the Cuban champions' tour: Goal, Stanley Chesney; right back, Jacob Lawrence; left back, Lennie Sternberg; right half back, James Brady; center half back, Casper De Rostaling; left half back, John Currie; outside right, Jackie Brown; inside right, Sol Elmer; center forward, Eddie Brown; inside left, Ed Herman; and outside left, Archie Ralston.

## Kirby Near Mark

Kirby Higbe was 1940 National League leader in strikeouts and bases on balls. He's this summer's peacemaker in the win column and in the September drive he may plant his fair name in the book with a new record for games pitched in one season. Clyde Shoun holds it now, 54. The Dodger ace has passed the 40 mark.

## I Did It for Uncle Nap

Keep your eye on Johnny Rucker, New York Giants' feather-footed centerfielder, on Sept. 5. If John gets five hits and steals some bases it's only because it's a red-letter date in the Rucker family. It's the 33rd anniversary of Uncle Nap's no-hitter, who outpitched for Brooklyn against Boston back in 1908.

## THE ROUND UP:

## Cuban Eleven Here Today; Pick Riggs at Forest Hills

## Puentes Grandes Team to Face Americans Labor Day

By Bill Newton  
Cuba's famous soccer team, the championship Puentes Grandes eleven, arrives in New York today to begin an American tour that will start in Starlight Park Labor Day afternoon against the New York Americans.

Puentes Grandes is the first Cuban team to invade the United States, and has stirred great interest among soccer followers, especially among the large number of Spanish working class fans. Three members of the all-working class eleven are Spanish refugees and another is a Negro.

The team is considered to be one of the best in the world.

On The Score Board

For the New Readers of The Sport Page

By Lester Rodney

This sports page has some new readers as of the past few weeks. They are people who were introduced to the Daily and Sunday Worker by that little army of street salesmen and saleswomen known so proudly as the Browder Brigades and composed of Communists who set out purposefully to do something about the minor crime that kept an honest hard-hitting people's newspaper in these critical times from so many people who just didn't know about it and what it really was.

Well, it seems some of the new readers were surprised to find that the Daily Worker has a sports page. "Let's see the Dodgers' score," a couple of boys asked a Browder Brigader jocularly last Saturday night. He did, they read and they bought. Maybe at the moment they bought just because they were good sports and not because they knew what they were buying in the Sunday Worker, but anyhow there are a lot of new readers and we'd like to make this column today for them, telling them a little something about what a sports page is doing in the Daily Worker.

As you can see offhand, we look much like any other sports page. We cover the ball games, we give special prominence to the dear old Dodgers because more fans are interested in them than in any other team and they're the big sports story of the year, we give you the latest boxing dope, and tell you how the Muriello-Lesemovich fight looked on our scorecard and what Billy Conn could certainly do to both on the same night, we chew the fat with you about the coming Louis-Nova fight, love dear Bill Terry to death just as all the sports writers in this town do, and so on. In brief, we cover sports events, like sports events and pass the picture along to you.

But there are some differences. Just as there are differences between the main part of the Daily Worker, which covers all the daily happenings, and the other papers, which unlike the Daily Worker are owned by big business.

What are the differences? Well, for one thing we think the boys who play the game, who throw the punches, make the tackles, leap the hurdles and start the double plays are more important and of more interest to the readers than the magnates, owners and promoters who count the gate receipts. We think that a story about what Joe Louis thinks of a forthcoming fight is of more interest than one on what manager Roxborough or promoter Jacobs thinks, that what Pete Reiser or Whit Wyatt says makes better reading than what the Brooklyn Trust Company and Judge Landis are worried about.

In brief, we're interested in reflecting the way the athletes themselves think and feel, because America's athletes come in the overwhelming majority from the farms, fields, mines, mills and other side of the Park Avenue tracks and so think the same things as most other Americans think, and aren't glamorous figures in a vacuum away from the everyday stream of life. Nor are they the "dumb Elmers," "stumblebums," "screwballs," "mechanical men," and "large logans" that some newspapers like to dub many of them.

Because of that difference, the Daily Worker sports page in its five years' existence (next week's anniversary) has come up with a lot of stories no other sports section ever touched.

We gave the inside story of the big baseball holdouts and showed how the unfair contract system was a weapon to keep salaries down by means of a baseball blacklist. We pounded away at the subject and some of the worst abuses have been corrected since we started.

We exposed the attempt to use young college football players at Michigan as anti-union workers in Ford. One of the players sent us the story because he knew nobody else would use it. The coach responsible, Kipke, was ousted two months later.

We organized a series of Games for Spain in which the finest athletes in the land gave their talent free to help the American boys fighting in the front line trenches in what the whole world now knows was the real beginning of the war of humanity vs. fascism.

We believe that most Americans believe in the spirit of fair play and don't like discrimination for reasons of color, race or creed, so we inaugurated the campaign to end the ban against Negro ball players in the big leagues. In the summer of 1938 we broke one of the biggest sports stories of the decade, proving that the big league players and managers (DON'T CONFUSE MANAGERS WITH MAGNATES) themselves are against the discrimination and would welcome the Negro players, whom they have played with in exhibitions and admire. That campaign has spread out and is growing, and THE biggest sports story of the decade, the actual wiping out of the un-American blot on our National Pastime, is still to come.

There are other differences between our sports page and the others. We give space to the sports activities of union workers teams even though the games aren't played in the Stadium and don't get a nod from the wire services.

We try to give some glimpses, and they can only be glimpses, of the wonderful sports life for all developed under Socialism in the Soviet Union, something that certainly merits the interested attention of this sports loving country, especially now that the peoples of that country are doing such a magnificent job in holding back and smashing up the Hitler war machine that menaces us as well as them.

We'd like to see more real sports life in the army camps here to help rout out the day to day life of an anti-fascist army. Athletics help soldiers physically and help the morale of any army that knows what it's fighting for.

These are some of the differences between the Daily Worker sports page and those of the other papers. This is an anti-fascist sports page, a people's sports page, and makes no bones about it. We don't "put politics into sports," we show that the sports life of a country isn't and can't be divorced from everything else.

Don't get us wrong. We're far from perfect and we know it. Because we haven't the facilities of the other papers we can't always get in all the late details, box scores and standings we'd like to. We predict some fights wrong as you'll discover. We picked the Cleveland Indians to beat out the New York Yankees in the American League this year no less. (We did tab the Dodgers to cop and stand firm there).

Anyway we'd certainly be happy to hear what YOU think of this slightly different kind of sports page and what you'd like to see on it. That's one of the main ways we learn and improve as we go along.

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## NET TOURNAMENT STARTS

The sixtieth annual national tennis championship singles get under way today at Forest Hills. Don McNeill, current champ, leads off at 1 o'clock, following the custom of champion first.

But McNeill is not favored. He isn't even seeded first, in fact. That honor went to Bobby Riggs, ex-titular holder whom McNeill defeated last year. Frank Kovacs is rated No. 2. Amateur tennis is still Jim Crow, of course (as is the professional tournament variety), so none of the many good Negro players can compete in the "national championships."

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## YANKS BACK EAST

The Yanks' starting outfield trio has now collected 85 homers. Tom Henrich chipped in with his 25th as the Yanks bade farewell to the bold but not bad West by clipping St. Louis 8-4 Thursday night. The Yanks' record on tour was six won and five lost, but you must remember they are taking things easy. But not too easy.